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"We made mistake," goes back to USSR

By JANICE ARNOLD

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They were introduced by Soviet Consul Guennadi Kaznatcheev as the first group of ex-Soviet citizens living in Canada who have been given permission to go back to their native country, saying "many" more have applied.

The Jewish couple, Arkady Berkut, 28, and his wife Polina, 29, who have been living in Montreal since 1980, said they expect to return to Moscow before the end of the year witn their two young Canadian-born children.

The other man, George Cheyshvili, a 37-year-old doctor, said he left the Soviet Union 10 years ago for the United States with his Jewish wife. They separated and he said he has been in Montreal for about two years waiting to be allowed to return to the USSR.

All left with exit visas for Israel and had their Soviet citizenship revoked.

Arkady Berkut, the most articulate and fluent in English and French among the group, said "family" reasons were the main motivation for his and his wife's deciding to return.

He said he has been unemployed this year and that he and his wife could not make friends here or adapt to a society which they feel is too materialistic and does not offer the level of social services found in the Soviet Union. He has been collecting unemployment insurance, and she is on welfare.

"We made a mistake.... The Soviet Union is the country we want to live in.... We realize it is the best place to raise our children," Arkady Berkut said.

This was the second time they had applied to leave, being unsuccessful on their first attempt in 1984. He said he applied again this past June and received a positive reply a few days before this public announcement. Kaznatcheev said the press conference had been called at the request of the three returnees.

Arkady and Polina said they "easily" gained permission to leave the Soviet Union, and were reunited with his father Mikhail, who was living in Montreal. Arkady's divorced mother, who is not Jewish, remained in the Soviet Union.

Within six weeks of his arrival, Arkady said, he broke off relations with his father, who was then the head of a dance company and school, Les Ballets Russes de Montreal. The father now lives in London. Arkady said he has an ailing grandmother in Toronto. None of Polina's immediate family emigrated.

Canada, Arkady said, is a "beautiful country" and he expressed his gratitude to immigration officials for their help. "But this is a capitalistic country, under the influence of its neighbor, the United States... The values of Canadians are different from Soviets. They are always talking about money or the next elections. They are not warm people. Soviets think spiritual and cultural values are more important in life."

He said he knows other Soviet immigrants here who would also like to return and believes they will apply now that they know there is a chance of receiving permission.

Kaznatcheev said Soviet diplomatic offices have been "inundated" with calls and letters from emigres seeking repatriation. He called their situation tragic, having been misled by Western and Zionist propaganda" that did not live up to their expectations.

To a question on how he felt he had been received by the Montreal Jewish community and helped to integrate, Berkut indicated this experience was not a factor in his decision.

But, he added, "They were not much help. It was made clear that my father should help us. When I was unemployed I went twice to Jewish Vocational Service, and they were no help. But when they found out I was going back, they approached me with a great job." (See related story.)

Berkut insisted that "nobody had programmed him" or told what to say, nor that he felt they were being used in a propaganda ploy. He did use the occassion to praise the Soviet position in the arms race and peace effort.

He was educated at a cinema institute in Moscow, but while in Montreal worked in a number of unrelated jobs, for the longest period as a "property manager" on the West

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Govt. cites national security

Iran arms: Peres won't talk

JERUSALEM (UPI) — Foreign Minister Shimon Peres Monday declined to tell legislators whether Israel was involved in U.S. arms shipments to Iran but said Israel has no policy to supply arms to Tehran.

Shortly after Peres refused to confirm or deny a reported Israeli role in the "arms-for hostages deal," two small opposition parties dropped plans to put the government to a vote of confidence over its policy of secrecy.

Appearing before the closed foreign affairs and defence committee of the Knesset, Peres said he would only discuss specifics of any weapons supplied by Israel with the panel's own subcommittee.

"Israel has no will, desire or capabilities to decide the fate of the (Iran-Iraq) war," sources in the foreign ministry quoted Peres as telling the committee. "Israel has no policy to supply arms to Iran."

The government has refused to allow a Knesset debate or to give details to the full committee on the grounds that arms sales are a matter of national security.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir last week promised committee chairman Abba Eban that he would supply details of arms supplies but only to the subcommittee after objections to the blackout, officials said.

"The subcommittee will get the details and to the best of my knowledge Eban is satisfied," a Shamir spokesman said. But leaders of leftist opposition parties said the change came too late.

At first officials said both the Mapam Party and the left-wing Citizens' Rights and Peace Movement would request two no confidence votes Tuesday. But after Peres' appearance, both parties changed their plans.

"We and Mapam have decided to present motions to the Knesset asking for clarification from the government on its policy on arms supplies to Iran to be presented to the closed committee," said CRPM spokesman.

"There are some things that should go the committee," he said. "Only those things that are really secret should go to the subcommittee."

Political sources had forecast the planned no confidence vote would fail, even if the government stuck by its no comment policy.

The Jerusalem Post said that Israeli officials are concerned the furor in the United States over the arms shipments would endanger cooperation agreements between the two countries.

The independent Yediot Ahronot in an editorial Sunday condemned Shamir's policy of keeping the matter out of the public arena, arguing foreign reports would finally force an official clarification.

Gen. Ahraon Yariv, director of the Yafee Institute for Strategic Studies at Tel Aviv University, said Israel's interests could be served by shipping arms to Iran if the Gulf War continues or ends in a stalemate, since there would be no Eastern front against Israel under such circumstances.

Gen. Yehoshua Saguy, a member of the Yafee Institute, said President Reagan had been right to give Iran arms, even though he had failed to explain it to the American public.

Saguy, however, said that a victory for the Iranian regime, led by the Ayatollah Khomeini, would be a "disaster" for Israel.

Controversy in Israel over Demjanjuk trial

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Former Israeli Supreme Court Justice Haim Cohen has raised a furor by suggesting that, if he were attorney-general, he would not bring suspected war criminal John Demjanjuk to trial.

Demjanjuk's trial is set for Jan. 19.

Cohen, who is retired from the bench and a former attorney-general, also said on a television interview that, if he were still a practicing lawyer, he would be prepared to assist in Demjanjuk's defence.

Cohen said that while he upholds in principle the right and duty to bring Nazi war criminals to trial for their acts, he believes that after more than 40 years it is difficult to provide accurate eyewitness identification of a suspect.

Demjanjuk's defence is expected to hinge on mistaken identity. The 66-year-old Ukrainian-born former resident of Cleveland, Ohio, insists he is not the notorious Treblinka death camp guard, known by the inmates as Ivan the Terrible because of his unmitigated brutality.

Cohen said that when he was a prosecutor more than 30 years ago, he was convinced that a gap of even 10 years between crime and trial could result in unreliable identification. Cohen, who is noted for his outspoken defence of unpopular causes, observed also that there is a danger that convictions in Nazi war crime cases in Israel might be based on popular emotion without sufficient legal substantiation.

That aroused the wrath of Mapam MK Chaika Grossman. She said on a radio interview that Cohen's remark about emotionalism cast doubt on Israel's capacity to bring any former Nazi to justice. "If we cannot do it, who else can?" she asked. "It's not a matter of revenge but of justice, and justice is not based on emotionalism."

The Association of Children of Nazi Victims charged that Cohen's remarks lent legitimacy to those who want to forgive the Nazis for their crimes. Association president Edna Steinberg suggested that they would only encourage neo-Nazis throughout the world.

Meanwhile, Tel Aviv attorney Gershon Orion made clear that he had agreed to assist in Demjanjuk's defence only at the request of the Israel Bar Association to assist the defendant's American lawyer with respect to Israel's legal system.

GOLDIE IN ISRAEL

Screen star Goldie Hawn has been visiting Israel and is seen at the Western Wall. She was in Israel to participate in the laying of the cornerstone for the Tel Aviv cinematheque. [IPPA photo]

Winnipeg's Mira Spivak is appointed to Senate

By MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG — Prime Minister Brian Mulroney confounded all the pundits last week by choosing Mira Spivak to fill Manitoba's vacant Senate seat. She becomes the first Jewish woman to sit in the Canadian Senate.

Although the betting had been that her husband, Sidney Spivak, the former provincial Progressive Conservative Party leader, would be named Manitoba's new Lieutenant-Governor by Mulroney, Mira Spivak's Senate appointment was no mere consolation prize. Her career in public life is the equal of that of her better known husband, currently national chairman of the Canada-Israel Committee.

Currently a director and member of the executive committee of the National Museums of Canada, she has been active in a wide range of issues ranging from the family to education to human rights.

During the 1970s, she was a planning associate with the Social Planning Council of Winnipeg, concerned with health and social development issues, housing, recreation and community relations.

Mira Spivak

In 1977, she was elected to the first of two terms as a trustee on the Winnipeg School Division, the largest division in the province. She served as school board chairman from 1979 to 1981 as well as chairing or serving as vice-chairman on committees related to the Mount Carmel Clinic, the Child Guidance Clinic, the Winnipeg Housing Alliance, the Children's Aid Society of Winnipeg and the National Conference on Multicultural Education held in Winnipeg in 1981.

She is on the board of directors of the Manitoba Association of Rights and Liberties, vice-president of the Winnipeg Jewish Community Council, and at the time of her appointment, was a candidate for the new WJCC.

The new senator says she is looking forward to pursuing the issues in Ottawa that are close to her. "I'll do whatever I can so that so-called women's issues are looked at rationally and advanced," she said.

"Women's issues are family issues and men's issues, too. Men are enriched by having women as equal partners and having fair play in the workplace."

Spivak promises to be a strong regional voice in Ottawa and she believes in Senate reform to "better reflect the country's regional differences and needs.

"There's a feeling in the country that there has to be a balance to the House of Commons because regional interests cannot be represented there as they should be," she said.

Other issues she is interested in exploring include the environment and nuclear disarmament.

"Senate opponents had better be prepared," said Sidney Spivak. "Any arguments that aren't well researched and logical, Mira can demolish handily."

World-National

In Israel, the news comes first

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

We're back from our annual journey to Israel and slowly the experience comes into focus. What do we especially remember this time? Seeing our family and friends, of course. They are part of our sense of familiarity with the country.

But there is vastly more. It takes a day or so and one begins to listen to Israel's hopes and concerns. Open the newspapers, turn on the radio or the nightly 9 o'clock news on TV, and you know that the centre of the world has shifted to Israel, and while there you're part of it. Ride a bus; when the hourly news flash comes the driver turns up the radio and everyone is quiet.

Rabbi Plaut

The story of Mordechai Vanunu was front and centre while we were there — the Israeli who was employed in Dimona had defected from country and religion and leaked alleged nuclear secrets to a London newspaper. Suddenly he had disappeared. Mrs. Thatcher had no comment and neither, at first, had Mr. Shamir. There was a general assumption that Vanunu was back in Israel, that "somehow" he had returned. Then the news broke: yes, he was in an Israeli prison and would face trial. No English laws had been broken in the process, said Mr. Shamir. But no details were released.

While the Vanunu affair occupied much space in the media, it did not elicit the kind of debate it would have engendered in Canada had such circumstances developed here. "He talked and he got to face the music," was the general reaction. The security of Israel was at stake, and when it comes to that, the whole nation, in all its startling diversity, becomes unified.

Vanunu fallout

But the affair did have a fallout. Geulah Cohen, vocal member of Tehiya, Israel's ultra-nationalist party, implied that leftwingers were likely to be security risks and that it was time to cleanse the sensitive parts of the government of such people. "McCarthyism!" shouted her opponents. "Apologize to Israel's parliament!" demanded others. There was, however, concern that someone in the Intelligence branch had slipped up on drawing the consequences from Vanunu's record and that he was permitted to continue his work in an admittedly sensitive installation. Where was Mossad and its sharp eyes?

Then there was the Iranian affair. Israeli planes and Danish ships taking American military hardware to the ayatollah's realm. Yet the news was not really startling. Rumors of such shipments through third and fourth parties, had circulated in Israel for years. Now it was all in the open. But was it good for Israel?

Iranian arms

Some suggested that giving the Iranians added arms would strengthen their resolve to keep on fighting Iraq. The latter is — to Israel — the more immediate and more dangerous enemy. Others simply say that if this is what the United States wants and needs, we'll do it as long as it is not obviously injurious to our interests. The (to Americans) exciting cloak-and-dagger stuff perpetrated by Robert McFarlane and company, is old hat in Israel.

It was the time when the prayer for rain reappeared in the liturgy, and this year the prayer was answered speedily and amply. The heavens burst while we read of Noah's flood in the weekly parasha, and in a few days half of Israel's usual annual rainfall deluged the land. After a year of drought this was a blessed event. It left us, like everyone else, thoroughly soaked but happy.

We arrived shortly after zealots had attacked the Progressive synagogue in Jerusalem's Bakah quarter and the issue was still fresh in everyone's mind. Of that, however, more needs to be said, and I will do so in a future column.

How Vanunu was nabbed

Lured by attractive Mossad agent

By
EDWIN BLACK

JERUSALEM —

By now, it has been confirmed that Israel's newsleaking nuclear technician, Mordechai Vanunu, was enticed out of Great Britain to the south of France by a chubby but attractive blond named Cindy who was employed by the Mossad. From there, Vanunu was lured onto a yacht which was intercepted in international waters by a Mossad vessel. He was then brought back to Israel to stand trial. But Israel's destructive silence about its legitimate law enforcement activities, has done more than create confusion and embarrassment. It has now become clear that in Israel, it is legally possible to disappear without a trace.

Start with Israeli criminal laws relating to state secrets. Prior to beginning work at the Dimona reactor in early 1977 as a low-level technician, Vanunu signed special security agreements pursuant to the Official Secrets Act. Akin to the security agreements signed by employees of America's Central Intelligence Agency and Britain's MI5, the employee effectively waives many of his civil and legal rights as a condition of employment.

Once Vanunu gathered photographs of the nuclear facility and agreed to peddle them to the Sunday Times of London, he committed a variety of high security crimes. This reportedly brought him under the purview of Mossad, Israel's secret service.

Under Israeli law, explains Hebrew University criminal law professor Dr. Mordechai Kremnitzer, "Israeli security agents possess an extraterritorial power that has nothing to do with extradition. If an Israeli citizen — any citizen — has committed offences against the vital interests of the state, say hijacking an Israeli plane," explains Kremnitzer, "and we can lay our hands on him, he can be brought back to Israel for criminal trial."

Kremnitzer adds that normally such an extraterritorial act without the benefit of extradition papers might be considered illegal. "But not when it is done by official agents, performing under orders," says Kremnitzer. "Under this doctrine, kidnapping would be covered [under Israeli law]."

Once taken into custody, the defendant's right to a lawyer and trial can be substantially delayed. Two relevant arrest provisions apply. The first is the Powers of Emergency Law [Arrests], originally a British Mandatory statute but revised into Israeli law in 1979. Under this act, Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin, acting under reasonable cause, has the power to "order administrative detention for a period of time not to exceed six months, so long as the accused is brought before a presiding judge of the district criminal court within 48 hours," explains Kremnitzer. The judge must be shown the evidence justifying the detention, but there is no requirement that the accused be presented with the evidence or represented by an attorney.

"While there is a general duty to allow the accused access to counsel, exactly when that access occurs is not spelled out," continues Kremnitzer. Administrative detention without charge or trial can be renewed by a judge every six months. "Yes," admits Kremnitzer, "such detention is renewable ad infinitum."

Arrest a state secret

Israel, trapped in a state of real emergency since its inception, has applied "administrative detention laws" almost exclusivley to Arab terrorists. For instance, eight seaborne PLO terrorists who tried to come ashore in July, 1985, have been in administrative detention until just a few days ago when their incarceration was converted to "awaiting trial without bail."

But the Vanunu case has proved to average Israelis that such laws are applicable to Israeli citizens as well. Hence the objection in Knesset by leftwing MK Yossi Sarid, who complained, "People should not simply disappear in a democratic society."

The second possible arrest venue is the "state security" provisions of the ordinary penal code. Section 125 allows a suspect to be denied access to a judge and a lawyer for up to 15 days.

Israeli officials have refused to indicate which law Vanunu was arrested under. Even, Vanunu's attorney, Amnon Zichroni, sworn to secrecy, declares, "I cannot comment on what law was used to arrest him."

Regardless of which arrest provision is used, the arrest itself becomes a state secret. In other words, a suspect might not only disappear, few if anyone might discover that he was sitting in an Israeli jail — the very situation surrounding Vanunu's arrest. Kremnitzer cites the example of Mordechai Keider, an Israeli agent who committed a security offence abroad. He was brought back to Israel secretly, tried in camera and no information was released about his whereabouts until a year later when he was sentenced.

There is a rationale here. It might compromise state security to acknowledge what covert actions a person was engaged in or where he was when he committed the offence — especially for a state such as Israel which has an unofficial presence in so many places.

Providing a legal defence on Israeli security cases is equally secretive. Vanunu's attorney, Amnon Zichroni, is one of a handfull of Israeli lawyers certified to act in security cases. Generally, Zichroni is not permitted to acknowledge any details of the case, even that he is the attorney of record. But after an international pressure campaign was mounted, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin jointly decided to concede that Vanunu was indeed in an Israeli jail. Shortly thereafter, "I was given permission to admit that I was his attorney," explains Zichroni. "I think they wanted the world to know he was being properly represented."

Fate not decided

Ironically, Zichroni was also hired by the Sunday Times to locate Vanunu, "but I could not reveal to my other client that I actually knew where Vanunu was and had been in constant contact with him." So secretive was Zichroni's defence mission, even his closest office aides were not informed. Legal briefs were reportedly not typed by his regular staff, but by "special arrangements," presumably high security clerical staff. "I didn't even tell my wife," admits Zichroni. "It would be a crime to do so."

Even now, although Zichroni is in contact with numerous reporters, he spends almost all of his time answering "I cannot comment." The few details he has released, such as that he has seen Vanunu on numerous occasions, has complete access to him, and that his spirits are good, are generally classified facts as well. But in this case, "the authorities tell me what is permissible to say and what is not, I release what I can," explains Zichroni. "Every day I am in touch with them, and every day I can release a little more."

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As for the fate of Mordechai Vanunu, sources here confirm that the decision is not yet final, but when the indictment is ultimately handed down it will be for aggravated espionage, not treason. The difference for Vanunu is life and death. Aggravated espionage carries a 15- to 30-year penalty with no chance for parole. Treason can be a capital offence — but no one is sure. "It depends," says Zichroni. "In time of war, the penalty for treason is death. It is always a question whether they will declare this a time of war or not."

Daring settlement of Negev receives too little fanfare

By
NECHEMIA MEYERS

JERUSALEM —

The 40th anniversary of an event which changed the map of Israel passed almost unnoticed a few weeks ago.

Perhaps this is inevitable in a country where sensation follows sensation with dizzying rapidity. Yet it still pains me to think that most of my fellow Israelis are unaware of what a few hundred heroic men and women did to change the course of history on a cold night in October 1946.

Defying the British Mandatory government, whose White Paper had declared the Negev out of bounds to Jews, they set up no less than 11 settlements all over the area in a matter of hours. These outposts, which the authorities reluctantly allowed to remain, helped to convince the United Nations that the Negev should be included within the borders of the Jewish state (under the terms of the 1947 UN partition plan). Even more significant, their existence laid the groundwork for the subsequent Negev victories of the Israel Defence Forces in the 1948 War of Independence.

Today those 11 settlements are but a small percentage of the Jewish villages in the Negev, albeit among the most prosperous ones. Their prosperity was originally based on agriculture. In recent years, however, a continuing scarcity of water and depressed agricultural prices have prompted an increasing reliance on industry.

Water shortages — in Israel and elsewhere — have paradoxically brought prosperity to one of those 11, Chatzerim, on the outskirts of Beersheba. Each year the kibbutz sells millions of dollars worth of locally-developed drip irrigation equipment, which, because it brings water in carefully measured quantities directly to the roots of plants, has been adopted in arid regions from Egypt to Arizona.

Other settlements balance their budgets by manufacturing sleeping bags (Urim), making lightweight building materials (Mishmar Hanegev) or running a large printing entrance (Be'eri). All in all, their enterprises are successful, and what bothers them most is finding the manpower they require to staff their plants, particularly when younger people are required.

This is because half the children of the 1946 pioneers have decided to leave the Negev, a percentage which seems reasonable to Shlomo Leshem, a member of Urim and spokesman of the United Kibbutz Movement. "In how many other modern societies," he asks, "do such a large number of young people agree to live and work with their parents?"

More disturbing to Leshem and other Negev kibbutzniks is the fact that some 6% of kibbutz-born youth leave the country altogether. This has been blamed on the presence of foreign (usually non-Jewish) volunteers in many kibbutzim, who, the argument goes, often lure Sabras back to Stockholm, Sydney or Seattle. As a result, some settlements have decided to stop taking in volunteers.

Yet however painful the problem of yerida, it is marginal for Negev kibbutzim, whose young people are more likely to end up in Tel Aviv than in New York. And strangely enough, this may be because their own parents accomplished so much over the last four decades.

This was made clear to me last week by a 23-year-old girl who was born and educated at one of the 11 settlements. "I don't want to stay," she explained, "because there are no challenges left. My parents did everything!"

World-National

Over 100 delegates at Canadian biennial convention

Reform urged to deepen religious commitment

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —
Without getting into the specifics of ritual, the Canadian Council of Liberal Congregations has urged its members to "deepen their commitment to religious observance."

Reform congregations were asked to increase their adult educational programs of Torah study. A resolution, noting a "renewed commitment to religious practice" throughout the Reform movement, was adopted to this effect at the recent CCLC biennial convention.

This convention was the first in the history of the CCLC to have as its central theme religious commitment. Over 100 delegates from Reform congregations in Canada attended the 3-day event.

In the keynote address, Rabbi Dow Marmur, senior rabbi of Holy Blossom Temple in Toronto, said the Reform movement has created a Joint Task Force on Religious Commitment, co-sponsored by its lay and rabbinic bodies, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Central Conference on American Rabbis.

Marmur, who is a member of the task force, said, "Once upon a time, we Reform Jews distinguished between ethics and ceremonies and decided that only the former led to the sacred.

"Today, we are more eclectic and pay greater attention to ceremonies and rituals; recognizing that both stem from Torah and both reflect our commitment to the Covenant."

Reform Judaism today is engaged in an "endeavor to renegotiate the terms of the Covenant to find a realistic basis for our obligation as well as God's promise," he said. This search for appropriate individual expression of religious commitment is not incompatible with Reform Judaism's emphasis on personal freedom, he believes.

"We have grown up as Reform Jews and are now able to accept Jewish observance on its merits. But, at the same time, we also realize that more observance is not in itself a sign of growing religious commitment.

"It is not just quantity but quality that we are looking for, and not just a ritualistic definition of obligations under the terms of the Covenant, but a much wider one. And we want to apply this wide definition to us as persons, not just to a nameless collective."

Outgoing Canadian Council of Liberal Congregations president Leon King (right) makes presentation to his successor, Stan Sandler. [Jack Markow photo]

He described the process the movement is going through as not "a new formulation of our theological position but a challenge to our organizational practice."

Torah study is as incumbent upon Reform Jews as it is upon others, he said, and has to be "the principal spiritual activity among Reform Jews of all ages and throughout their lives." He warned that the study of Torah should not be "secularized" by making it into "an academic discipline."

Marmur acknowledged that as things are at present Reform Jews who want to deepen their commitment to Judaism often have to turn to other movements.

"The only way in which we can remain true to our tradition, and yet free, is if we, as an act of sovereign choice, accept to do that which we deem to be right and Jewishly authentic."

Outgoing CCLC president Leon King reported that during his 2-year term the number of Reform congregations in Canada has increased and the Jewish community is more aware that the council speaks for and represents Liberal Judaism in Canada.

However, he expressed disappointment at the failure of the CCLC's attempts at dialogue with Conservative Jews, via United Synagogue, on such issues as Jewish education, youth, the family, intermarriage and conversion.

"We did establish that we have common areas of concern and that we also share issues on which we could work together. It is apparent that we (the Reform movement) will have to continue to provide the impetus for the establishment of a forum that will eventually discuss and act on these matters."

The new president of the CCLC, Stan Sandler, a member of Temple Emanu-El in Toronto, said one of his priorities will be to help the small Reform congregations in Western Canada and Congregation Rodeph Shalom in Dollard des Ormeaux, a Montreal suburb, which lack full-time rabbis and enough members.

The CCLC will regularly send out "high profile" speakers to these temples, he said, which should help them attract new people. Sandler said the council will soon have a full-time executive director in its Toronto office to replace Arthur Grant, who is going to New York to accept the position of program and regional activities director with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Sandler pledged to establish a standing committee on outreach to formulate programs to help integrate converts to Judaism into congregational life, as well as to try to keep within Judaism the Jewish partners of mixed marriages and their children.

The director of the UAHC's outreach program, Lydia Kukoff, said in an address at the convention that it is estimated that there are 10,000-15,000 new converts to Judaism annually in North America.

Today, 1 in every 35 Jews is a "Jew by choice," Kukoff said. By the year 2000, she said over half of the children in Jewish schools on this continent will come from families where one parent was not born Jewish.

The UAHC outreach program, established three years ago, provides materials for individual congregations to implement their own outreach activities.

In other resolutions adopted the CCLC:

- Called upon the Canadian government to sever all ties with countries that support terrorist activities or harbor terrorists. The preamble refers to the United Kingdom's ending diplomatic relations with Syria.
- Decided to donate 3% of the food costs of its functions to feed the hungry in Canada through Mazon Canada. This Toronto-based nonprofit organization was set up to provide a Jewish response to hunger.
- Will also study the feasibility of creating a Reform summer camp in Canada and will be sending questionnaires to all member congregations about the idea.

Jewish-Ukrainian understanding

Suslensky tries to better relations

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —
Yakov Suslensky has his work cut out for him.

A Jew who spent seven years in a Soviet slave labor camp, Suslensky is attempting to overcome centuries of animosity between Jews and Ukrainians by establishing more harmonious relations between the two groups.

The Ukrainian-born Suslensky, who now teaches high school in Israel, recently wrapped up a cross-Canada tour on which he met with Ukrainian and Jewish leaders in an attempt to build mutual understanding and healthier associations between the two, whose relations in Canada have been somewhat strained for a number of years.

Suslensky, who heads an Israel-based organization called the Association for Jewish-Ukrainian Contacts, was in Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Saskatoon, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver to try and patch up age-old ill will between Jews and Ukrainians.

Across Canada, he met local and national representatives of Canadian Jewish Congress, the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews and the Canadian-Ukrainian Committee.

In an interview with The CJN, Suslensky, 57, said his life was twice saved by Ukrainian friends while in prison. He was arrested in 1970 and charged with "Zionist and anti-Soviet agitation." While serving a 7-year sentence, he was placed in a freezing-cold isolation cell and kept on a starvation diet. "I nearly went insane," Suslensky said. "Two Ukrainians got me out of there. The Ukrainians were the largest community in the camps because they were nationalists too."

Jewish and Ukrainian prisoners got along well in the camp, Suslensky recalled. "There were three categories of Ukrainians. The war criminals, and the Jews didn't bother with them; the nationalists — they and the Jews understood each other because we were struggling for a homeland — and the younger Ukrainians. The younger ones were our best friends because they fought for human rights.

"After I came to Israel (in 1977) a thought struck me: If we were friendly there in terrible conditions, why can't we be friendly here in good conditions?"

In Israel, Suslensky began his association with three people. Today, he claims it has a membership of 500 in Israel and North America, equally divided between Jews and non-Jewish Ukrainians.

Although Suslensky got the impression from the leaders he met that differences between Jews and Ukrainians can be worked out, three major stumbling blocks are still preventing better relations.

The main sticking point in Canada, he pointed out, has been the Deschenes Commission of Inquiry into Nazi war criminals. Suslensky said every Ukrainian and Jewish leader he talked with was critical of Sol Littman, the Canadian representative of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre and a leading figure in the commission's hearings.

"They were upset with him because he generalizes. To him, Ukrainians are a symbol." He said even Jewish leaders expressed embarrassment with many of Littman's remarks.

Another sore point has been Israel's failure to recognize as a Righteous Gentile, the Ukrainian Metropolitan Andrei Sheptytsky, former Archbishop of Lvov and head of the Ukrainian Uniate Church. Sheptytsky, who died in 1944, saved the lives of hundreds of Jews in the Ukraine during the Nazi invasion of World War II, Suslensky said.

The issue of recognizing Sheptytsky's work has been before Israeli authorities for years. Suslensky suspects Israel has not accorded the archbishop Righteous Gentile status because it does not want to raise the ire of the Soviets, who hate Sheptytsky because he has been a symbol of Ukrainian nationalism. Israel needs a dialogue with the Soviets to get more Soviet Jews out.

As well, the case of John Demjanjuk, a retired auto worker from Cleveland extradited to Israel to face war crimes charges, presents another stumbling block. Demjanjuk, a Ukrainian, has been charged with operating the gas chambers at Treblinka, where almost 1 million Jews perished. The Ukrainian community in North America, Suslensky said, has been concerned over whether Demjanjuk will get a fair trial in Israel and upset that articles in the Jewish press may have prematurely convicted him.

Anti-semitism exists among Ukrainians, although it is limited mainly to the elderly, Suslensky said.

Already, he said, Israel is preparing for a celebration in 1988, expected to be attended by thousands of Ukrainian pilgrims, to mark the millennium of Christianity in the Ukraine.

Suslensky said Jewish leaders in Canada told him they would sit down for discussions with Ukrainians only if its was acknowledged that pogroms and other anti-semitic acts were carried out in the Ukraine, with the help of the local populace.

But on the whole, Suslensky senses that Jews and Ukrainians can work out their differences, even though their relations are "strained."

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Issues of equal status in Israel, fair hearing

Canadian Reform movement's frustrations show

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — The Reform movement's frustration and disillusionment with its attempts to gain equal status in Israel and a fair hearing within the Zionist establishment were apparent during the Canadian Council of Liberal Congregations biennial convention.

There were hints that a confrontation may erupt between the United Israel Appeal of Canada and the Canadian Reform movement over the inequitable funding of non-Orthodox institutions and projects in Israel by the Jewish Agency, the funnel for funds raised in the Diaspora.

Outgoing CCLC president Leon King said council representatives met with UIA officials recently in an attempt to avoid such a confrontation and were encouraged by the response they received.

King said the CCLC hopes that through "tactful quiet diplomacy" a resolution may be found, but added that there is "always room to go one step further."

A resolution was passed recording the council's welcoming the "good faith" shown by the UIA in entering into this dialogue with the Reform movement. However, the delegates amended the draft resolution to state that the CCLC "recognizes" rather than "commends" the UIA's action.

At the national assembly of Kadima, the Reform Zionist organization, held during the convention, a resolution was passed unanimously calling for the dismissal of Interior Minister Rabbi Yitzhak Peretz for his refusal to register Reform converts to Judaism, contrary to Israeli law.

"Furthermore, he has continued to refer to these converts, in public, as goyim, despite the fact that the Knesset and the Israeli public and the majority of Jewish people consider them to be Jews. During his two years in office, Rabbi Peretz has consistently placed his sectarian religious views before his responsibilities as a cabinet minister," the resolution states.

Kadima has also lent its support to the Reform scouts in Tel Aviv who have been denied funding and a meeting place by that city because they are not recognized as a legitimate part of the Israeli scouting movement.

A resolution was adopted unanimously demanding that Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat immediately find a meeting place for Tsofei Telem, the Israel Reform Youth Movement, which is part of the Israeli Scouts, Kadima says, and extend to it "all rights, privileges and funding" that other scout groups receive from the municipality.

Kadima, which is insisting that elections be held in Canada for the delegates to the next Zionist Congress (CJN Nov. 20), is also demanding that the Canadian Zionist Federation make known the fate of resolutions introduced by Kadima and passed at the CZF's last national convention in April 1984 concerning such elections.

It was decided at that convention that the CZF national executive should draft a constitution for the organization within one year. Another resolution urged that "democratic, representative elections" be held before the 31st Zionist Congress.

Stating that is "has no clear indication" that these resolutions have been acted upon, Kadima resolved that the CZF "immediately implement all of its resolutions and formally convey implementation steps to the CZF constituents."

Kadima officer Dr. Lew Poch, who sits on the CZF executive, said he has been "frustrated every time I ask (about these resolutions). I keep getting the run-around."

New Kadima president Rabbi Dow Marmur, spiritual leader of Toronto's Holy Blossom Temple, was scheduled to meet with CZF executive director Rabbi Meyer Krentzman the day after the CCLC convention.

Outgoing Kadima president Rabbi Michael Stroh, who led the organization since its founding nine years ago, could not hide his bitterness and bewilderment in describing his dealings over that time with the World Zionist Organization and, in particular, the CZF.

Although Kadima was welcomed into the CZF upon its founding in 1977, Stroh said it soon became apparent to him that he "could be seen but was not to talk much nor to expect any results."

Before the last Zionist Congress in 1982, when Kadima first pressed for election of Canadian delegates, Stroh said Kadima was "bamboozled" into accepting one of the 17 Canadian seats at the Congress, though it believed its membership entitled it to greater representation.

Elections by ballot are held only when unanimity cannot be reached on the composition of the delegation to the Congress among the CZF constituents.

So wary is Kadima of the CZF's political maneuverings, Stroh said it has advised the WZO's legal counsel to ignore any communications from the CZF before the upcoming Zionist Congress that unanimity has been achieved "because we are going to insist on elections this time, no matter what."

Kadima's relationship with the WZO has not been much better, according to Stroh. "Israelis themselves understand that there are not really equal rights for minorities. Only if you have political power, will you be listened to."

Arthur Grant, the executive director of the CCLC who accompanied Stroh on many of his meetings with the CZF and WZO, put it bluntly: "I felt like a hooker. I knew exactly what was going to happen, I just didn't know who was going to do it."

Outgoing CCLC president Leon King in his final report said the "time has come when non-Orthodox Jews in Canada must make demands on the Jewish state; that almost 40 years after the rebirth of the nation is long enough to discuss who is and who is not a Jew."

He harshly criticized the Orthodox minority's "abuse of power" in Israel. "They parade in the black-coated uniform of a medieval anachronism and are free to paint anti-Zionist slogans on walls in Meer Shearim, financially supported by a Jewish Agency to which you and I make contributions. What chutzpah, what nerve. How long will we continue to put up with this nonsense."

Canadian Reform Jews must assist in building a strong Reform movement in Israel which will have the clout to enact change there, King said.

In addition to supporting Kadima and the World Union for Progressive Judaism, he said, Reform congregations here might consider twinning with their counterparts in Israel.

The arrangement need not be for financial reasons, "but simply to let them know they are not alone in their fight for religious equality."

Kadima also resolved that Reform congregations organize trips to Israel, and create funds that will make it possible for high school students to spend time in Israel.

New Kadima president Rabbi Dow Marmur (right) is congratulated by outgoing president Rabbi Michael Stroh. [Jack Markow photo]

Plant broke

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The minsterial economic committee last week voted to place the debt-ridden Beit Shemesh engine plant in receivership. The factory employs 340 residents in the development town of Beit Shemesh, and unless Israel Aviation Industries (IAI) agrees to take it over, the government will have to find them jobs.

The plant manufactures engine components of the Lavi, Israel's second-generation jet fighter plane which IAI will build. According to IAI sources, the components can be manufactured more cheaply at the Pratt and Whitney plants in the U.S.

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DIARY ...of a People

By DAVID BIRKAN

On Nov. 25, 1940, 259 Jews fleeing Central Europe and about a dozen policemen lost their lives when the deportation ship Patria suffered an explosion and capsized in Haifa Bay. The victims of Nazism met their tragic end through hostile British policy and human error.

In an effort to appease the Arabs and still maintain control of Palestine through a policy of divide and conquer, the British issued a number of white papers clamping down on Jewish immigration. Quotas were vigorously enforced despite the Nazis' increasing anti-Jewish depredations and expulsions. One commentator described the British as forging the anvil to Hitler's hammer.

The Haganah and the Irgun, the latter's more militant counterpart, conducted independent clandestine efforts to bring in Jewish refugees. Collected at various Mediterranean and central European ports, they were put in derelict overcrowded ships for an attempt to evade a blockade of British reconnaissance planes and warships. If intercepted, the refugees would be shipped to British concentration camps in Cypress and Mauritius for impending deportation to their country of origin. Neither public outcries nor private intercessions succeeded in softening the British, during or after World War II.

On Sept. 2, 1940, a group of Jews was allowed by the Nazis to leave their native Czechoslovakia and Austria for a Palestine-bound voyage via the Danube. The three Greek ships that the Jews paid for in Romania were slated by the Nazis to bring back German nationals from Soviet-occupied Bessarabia, according to an eyewitness report from H. Fantl of Toronto, published in the July, 1982 newsletter of London's International Council of Jews from Czechoslovakia.

About 2,500 Jews left Brno, Prague, Bratislava and Vienna. They packed the vessels, whose rusting hulls were repainted with Panamanian colors. The Pacific, the largest of the three, had a normal capacity of 60 passengers; now it groaned under the burden of 1,000 refugees.

British adamant

On Nov. 11, after two months, it and the Milos, and their 1,800 passengers, were intercepted by the British. Protests and demonstrations erupted among the Jews of Palestine. The Jewish Agency called a general strike.

The British declared, on Nov. 20, that the Jews' "ultimate disposal would be a matter of consideration after the war, but it is not proposed . . . that they should go to Palestine." The announcement added: "Similar action will be taken in the case of any further parties who may succeed in reaching Palestine with a view to illegal entry."

The British began to force the refugees onto a commandeered French liner, the SS Patria, for their deportation to Mauritius in the southwest Indian Ocean. The Atlantic, the third ship from Central Europe, was hauled into Haifa Bay by the British on Nov. 24; its reeling occupants also began to be pushed into the Patria. British soldiers and police surrounded and entered their ship to maintain order.

In a desperate effort to halt the procedure, the Haganah decided to scuttle the Patria. Too much explosive was used. The violent blast of Nov. 25 shook the vessel and threw her on her side. The operation ended in tragedy. At first, the Irgun and the more extreme Lehi group were blamed. Later Israel Galili, a Haganah senior commander, said "there may have been an error in estimating the charge."

Those still on board the Atlantic were deported to Mauritius as planned.

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Cotler on Deschenes' implications

Issue is not revenge, but justice

On Nov. 30, Justice Jules Deschenes will submit his long-awaited report on Nazi war criminals to Justice Minister Ray Hnatyshyn.

Deschenes was commissioned in early 1985 to investigate whether there are war criminals in Canada, how they got here and what legal remedies, if any, exist to deal with them. During the course of the Commission's proceedings, Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith Canada obtained legal standing before the inquiry and made submissions and recommendations on legal action against Nazis living in Canada, as well as on ancillary matters. PROF. IRWIN COTLER, legal counsel for CJC, discusses the issues arising out of the Commission's mandate in extracts from an interview carried in Quid Novi, a publication of the McGill University Faculty of Law.

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The presence of Nazi war criminals in our society is, in the words of Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, "a moral outrage," an affront to conscience which led to the creation of the Deschenes Commission. Admittedly it is late in coming, but it is still possible to help "right a historical wrong" and redress an "historical injustice."

The issue; simply put, is not revenge, but justice; moreover, we are bringing people to justice not for what they did or did not do these past 40 years, but for atrocities committed in the Holocaust.

The question (why prosecute people who've lived here peaceably for 40 years) is one that many Canadians may ask.

• The most compelling consideration is fidelity to the principle of the rule of law; that murder shall not go unpunished — that, in particular, the murder of innocents shall not go unpunished. In a sense, the word "war criminal" is misleading, for we are not talking in the main about the killing of combatants in the prosecution of a war, but about the murder of innocents in persecution of a race.

• The second consideration is taking Canadian citizenship seriously. Those who misrepresented themselves and acquired Canadian citizenship or landed entry or refugee status under false pretenses should not be permitted to enjoy that citizenship when, had we known of their criminality, they would not even have been admitted to this country, let alone been granted citizenship.

• The third consideration is fidelity to our international obligations. Ever since World War II ended, both in the United Nations and as a signatory to international treaties, we have undertaken to investigate, apprehend, arrest and bring to justice suspected Nazi war criminals in this country. If we do not do this, we are in breach of our international responsibilities.

• **The final point is fidelity to Holocaust remembrance: to those victims who died, to those Canadians who fought the Nazis and on whose behalf we speak. At a time when neo-Nazism is rearing its ugly head again, at a time when there are those who are saying the Holocaust never occurred, not to bring suspected Nazi war criminals to justice will have the effect of vindicating the old Nazis and encouraging the new ones.**

(As for arguments about legal impediments to prosecution), the "retroactivity" argument is a misleading one. There is nothing retroactive about war crimes or crimes against humanity, and their prosecutions are invocations rather than breaches of international criminal law.

Irwin Cotler

First, these acts were always criminal under international law and the Law of Nations. They were codified in the Hague Conventions of 1899 and 1907 respecting the laws and customs of war and providing for protection for civilians and prisoners of war. There was then, and now exists, a series of solemn, binding international treaties which always made criminal the acts of which suspected Nazi war criminals stand accused.

Second, war crimes were always criminal according to the conduct of the Law of Nations. In a word, murder was always criminal. It was not an act that suddenly became an offence after World War II.

Third, the international military tribunals of Nuremberg codified these principles.

Fourth, the Canadian War Crimes Act and the Canadian Geneva Conventions Act, were in fact a codification of existing law, rather that the creation of new law. They provided a forum for the prosecution of offences already existing, rather than legislation for the creation of new offences.

That is to say, murder was always murder, now and forever.

Finally, Canadian law in general and its statute law in particular and expressed in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, must be interpreted in such a way as not to violate international law.

One would also say even in the absence of these express statutes, Parliament would have jurisdiction to prosecute under what might be called international criminal or common law, under the universality principle of jurisdiction. In a word, war criminals as all the case law has shown, are the enemies of mankind. Just as no express law is needed for the prosecution of pirates, no express law is needed for the prosecution of war criminals.

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This is not a Jewish issue, or an ethnic issue, but as both the Prime Minister and Opposition have put it, an issue of human rights — indeed, one of the most profound issues of human rights in our time. If we convert this into an "ethnic" quarrel or worse, a Jewish versus Ukrainian configuration, we not only trivialize but distort the issue.

The nationality of Nazi war criminals is not at issue. Our credo must be: no collective indictments of any kind.

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Living Halacha

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: Was it morally correct for a gem dealer to buy a brown and black stone from an amateur for $10 U.S. in February, and now offer it for sale for several million dollars?

Such a bargain price sounds vaguely familiar. In 1626, Peter Minuit bought the island of Manhattan from the Indians for about $24. Minuit was the third governor of New Netherland, and his thirty colonies took advantage of another bargain when they introduced Negro slavery to meet the growing demand for labor.

Rabbi Burak

Others have claimed that the Indians took advantage of Minuit. They sold him a property for which they didn't have title. In that case, the governor forgot the Latin maxim, caveat emptor, let the buyer beware. Be that as it may, what we need is a system that protects both the buyer and the seller.

The story about the sale of this gem sounds like everybody's dream. You feel like saying, "oif mir gezogt," and wish it would happen to you. Clever traders in all ages have done just this type of business: They bought cheap, and sold dear.

But, here, it was a case of buying something from a person who has no knowledge of what he was selling. In war-torn Europe, when a kid sold his one and only pair of good shoes to a smarter kid, for two cookies, he had to give back those priceless shoes.

Where the seller is ignorant of the value of the objects he intends to sell, he is to be given the protection of our mercantile system. Therefore, our Code Hoshen Mishpat, Chapter 227, paragraph 1, lays down this law: "It is forbidden to take advantage of his friend **whether in buying or in selling.** And whoever takes unfair advantage, whether it be **the buyer or the seller,** violates a negative commandment."

Where does this law come from? It comes from the Book of Leviticus, a book that some call the priestly code — but as you will see there is much more in it than laws for priests. In Leviticus, Chapter 25, verse 14, we are given this law: "And if thou sell aught unto thy neighbor, or buy of thy neighbor's hand, ye shall not wrong one another."

In the Soncino Chumash, edited by Rev. Dr. A. Cohen, the volume my synagogue usually gives each bar mitzvah, we find this note on page 767: "Even if the seller did not know the value of the article, and while it was in his possession he had the opportunity to ascertain its value from a friend or a merchant, do not take advantage of his ignorance." (Nachmanides.)

In the Jerusalem Talmud, Tractate Baba Mezi'a, Chapter 2:5, 8A, we find that Shimon ben Shetach was involved in such a matter, and refused to profit by the seller's ignorance. His students wanting to lessen his burdens for him, bought him a beast of burden. They found a pearl on it, brought it to him and said that now he would be so rich that he wouldn't need to work any more.

He refused to accept it since the owner didn't know about the pearl. When the disciples expostulated with him, he replied: "Do you think that Shimon ben Shetach is a barbarian? No, he would prefer to hear that Arab (the seller) say, 'Blessed be the God of the Jews,' than to possess all the riches of the world."

Roy Whetstine, the gem dealer, bought more than a bargain. While his aim is to sell the stone so that his two sons can "be set up financially for the rest of their lives," he would do much more for those children were he to follow the example of Shimon ben Shetach and not be a barbarian.

Jewish underground discounted

Police find Old City arms caches

JERUSALEM (JTA) — David Kraus, chief of Israel's national police, told the cabinet Sunday that caches of illegal arms have been found in the possession of Jews in the Old City. He said they included grenades and light weapons. But he did not believe they signified the existence of an anti-Arab Jewish underground such as exposed in the West Bank two years ago.

Kraus provided the intelligence information to the ministers after a week of anti-Arab violence and harassment by Jews that followed the fatal stabbing on Nov. 15 of Eliahu Amdi, a 22 year-old student at the Shuvu Banim yeshiva in the Moslem quarter of the Old City. Amdi was murdered near the yeshiva. Three Arab youths suspected of the crime are in custody (CJN Nov. 20).

Kraus said that unless calm is restored to Jerusalem, massive military reinforcements would have to be called in to keep the peace. He said the police preferred not to ask the army for help, but it could not allow itself to be overwhelmed by rioters.

Premier Yitzhak Shamir called on "all sectors of the Jerusalem populace" Sunday to preserve order and peace in Jerusalem and avoid public disturbances.

Just hours after Kraus appeared before the cabinet, a Molotov cocktail was thrown in an Old City street. A memorial service for Amdi, marking the end of the 7-day mourning period, took the form of a procession from the Shmuel Hanavi neighborhood in West Jerusalem, where the murder victim had lived, to the site in the Old City Moslem quarter where he was killed.

Cries of "death to the Arabs" were heard as the mass of Jews moved slowly through the narrow streets. Men kicked at the barred fronts of Arab-owned shops as they passed, the shopkeepers having prudently closed early and left.

At the murder site, Rabbi Moshe Levinger, leader of the Gush Emunim in Hebron and other rabbis harangued the crowd. They blamed the government and the Jerusalem municipality for Amdi's death. But the police were out in force and no serious violence developed.

Kraus told the cabinet that searches for illegal arms would continue. He said he understood that people felt a need to protect themselves but insisted that the police could not allow them to act in an illegal manner.

He shocked the ministers with his description of the persistent provocations by Shuvu Banim students against their Arab neighbors. He said one of their practices was to hurl bags of feces and urine from the yeshiva building at Arab homes nearby. The yeshiva is described as a school for penitents and reportedly has a large number of former criminals in its student body.

Peres urges unity

CHICAGO (JTA) — An appeal to the Jewish people to avoid a split within its ranks over religious and secular issues was issued here by Israeli foreign minister Shimon Peres last week. He urged that "a civilized way be found to deal with religious differences" that have become exacerbated in Israel and the United States.

Addressing more than 3,000 Jewish leaders from North America and abroad at the 55th General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations here, Peres said that Jewish life is marked by variations, with different strains and different beliefs between and among the religious and secular elements in Israel and the U.S.

The variations, he said, do not worry him. But, he added: "I am worried about our unity. Let's be careful not to split. We are too small a people to become two or three people instead of one."

Peres declared: "I call upon everybody, let's argue without hate; let's decide our positions and listen to one another, among your synagogues and between the religious and secular."

Peres, whose remarks on the imperative need for Jewish unity were greeted by prolonged applause, said: "I think it is for you and for us to mobilize goodwill, to call upon the heads of each strain to see the need for Klal Yisrael, not just the conviction of each synagogue, important as it may be, and to find the necessary wisdom and patience and talent to have our arguments in a way that won't split us to pieces."

To. lodge wins again

WASHINGTON — A Toronto-based B'nai B'rith lodge has won the prestigious Sidney C. Kusworm Award for an unprecedented fifth time.

The B'nai B'rith International award was given to Upper Canada Lodge for performing "the best overall community service program." It is the fourth year in a row that the lodge or one of its members has won either the Kusworm or the Col. Elliot A. Niles Award, which is given annually for outstanding personal volunteer service on behalf of the international organization.

Among the lodge's community activities are the International Blind Bowlers Tournament, bingos for senior citizens and a golf tournament for war amputees. As well, the lodge sponsors a program to help fatherless boys and another to bring Israeli orphans to Canada for a vacation.

Wilf Fogel, the lodge's immediate past president, said that public accolades have not lessened members' incentive to work hard in keeping with their motto, People helping People.

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"Glitches and snafus" in Far East

Herzog journey fraught with embarrassment

By
DAVID LANDAU

JERUSALEM (JTA) — President Chaim Herzog's recent official tour to Australia, New Zealand and Southeast Asia, was fraught with embarrassment which some Knesset members are attributing to poor planning and inadequate briefings of the President by his aides and government officials.

But observers here stress it is premature to say whether or not Herzog's primary purpose, to enhance Israel's political image and expand its export markets in a prospering region of the world, was or was not achieved.

Moreover, it seems likely that the noisy anti-Israel demonstrations that greeted Herzog when he arrived in Singapore to begin a 3-day visit does not reflect important sentiment in that booming island nation but, rather, was orchestrated by Singapore's powerful Moslem neighbors, Malaysia and Indonesia.

Herzog was warmly greeted by Singapore's veteran Prime Minister, Lee Kuan Yew, who faced down heavy Moslem and Arab pressure to cancel the visit. Israel has a long-standing relationship with Singapore which includes civilian and military aid and trade ties. Lee made a point of extolling that relationship, though he also told Herzog that Israel must vacate the Arab territories it occupied in 1967.

Nevertheless, Israelis were disturbed by reports that Herzog was politely asked to shorten his visit to Singapore — the last stop in his tour — so as to leave before Pope John Paul II arrived on his official visit.

Herzog's visit to Australia unfortunately coincided with intense interest there in the affair of Mordechai Vanunu, the former technician at the Dimona nuclear facility who disappeared in London Oct. 1 and has turned up in jail in Israel. He faces charges of either espionage or treason for giving a British newspaper information about Israel's alleged nuclear weapons capabilities.

Vanunu lived in Australia for a time and it was there that he converted to the Christian faith. Rev. John McKnight, the Anglican vicar who converted him, went to Israel last month in an unsuccessful attempt to discover Vanunu's whereabouts. He charged that Vanunu was

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kidnapped from British soil by Israeli agents and brought to Israel against his will.

Israel vociferously denied this, though it had not said how or when Vanunu came to Israel. Herzog's embarrassment was compounded because the Jerusalem government failed to inform him when it decided, after weeks of silence, to acknowledge publicly that Vanunu was in Israel.

As a result, Herzog was innocently denying knowledge of his whereabouts after the cabinet in Jerusalem confirmed he was being held "under lawful detention."

In New Zealand, his next stop, the President found the focus of media attention not on his visit or on bilateral relations with Israel but on the issue of nuclear weapons in light of Vanunu's revelations. There is a fierce national debate going on in New Zealand about nuclear defence.

Those matters lent credence to Likud Liberal Pinhas Goldstein's charge in the Knesset that the Herzog tour was "replete with glitches and snafus" and "not well planned." Goldstein, who called the events in Singapore "the last straw," introduced a motion for Knesset debate on Herzog's trip.

There were of course some indisputable successes for the Israeli chief of state, such as his tour of the South Pacific island nations. The king of Tonga and other local leaders displayed genuine warmth toward Herzog and Israel and expressed interest in improving relations with the Jewish state.

In large measure, their attitude stems from the favorable impressions made by the small number of Israeli experts, mainly agronomists, who have served in the region. The local population is interested in more aid and knowhow from the Israelis.

One expected high point of the tour, a visit to the Philippines, was cancelled at the last minute because of the troubled political climate in that nation. Herzog, after a telephone conversation with Premier Yitzhak Shamir, decided to avoid Manila.

When informed by the Israeli ambassador of the cancellation, Philippines President Corazon Aquino reportedly "shed a tear," as if Herzog's decision somehow symbolized her own precarious position.

But there were suggestions in the Israeli media that her disappointment may have been tinged with relief because she, too, had been under pressure from the Moslem states not to welcome the Israeli President. The Philippines itself has a large and powerful Moslem minority which has been in on-and-off rebellion against the Manila regime.

On the other hand, Herzog was warmly received in Hong Kong where he made a hastily arranged visit as guest of the local Jewish community to fill time before his scheduled arrival in Singapore. Israel recently reopened its consulate in the British Crown colony which had been closed for several years for budgetary reasons.

Israel hopes his visit will result in important commercial relations with Hong Kong which is also a political conduit to the People's Republic of China.

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President Chaim Herzog made an unannounced visit to Sri Lanka on his way home from a 2-week tour to Australia, New Zealand and Southeast Asia. It was a surprise to the entourage of reporters accompanying the President and something of a diplomatic coup for Herzog whose trip has come under criticism in the Knesset.

Sri Lanka, formerly Ceylon, broke relations with Israel in 1968 and only recently moved toward restoring them after many years of nearly total boycott.

Herzog's visit symbolized a rapprochement. He met with President Julius Jayawardene, with the Defence Minister and other top officials. Two years ago, Israel was permitted to open an interest section at the American embassy. Sources in Jerusalem expressed hope that the visit presages full diplomatic relations with Sri Lanka.

Despite their absence, Israel has in recent years sent agronomists and other technicians to the island nation south of the Indian subcontinent. It has also helped the Colombo government cope with the Tamil separatist movement. Sri Lankan leaders have conceded on occasion that their country has benefited from Israeli aid and advice on security and counter-terrorism.

Herzog arrived in Colombo from Singapore where he had been warmly received by Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew, despite anti-Israel demonstrations by Moslem and pro-Palestinian elements. He reportedly told Lee that he would visit Sri Lanka but kept it from the press corps. Sri Lanka was not on his original itinerary.

Proposed Que. law to be altered

MONTREAL — Justice Minister Herbert Marx has decided to temporarily withdraw a proposed amendment that would have prohibited attacks on religions in Quebec after it was denounced by Parti Quebecois members, according to a Le Devoir report.

The amendment, contained in a bill presently before the National Assembly, has a clause forbidding "outrageous or injurious attacks" against religious beliefs or practices.

The purpose of Bill 92, introduced in the National Assembly by Marx last June, is to bring Quebec laws into conformity with the Quebec Charter of Human Rights and Freedoms. Although the charter is 10 years old, it was only since last January, at the insistence of Marx, that it has taken precedence over all other Quebec legislation and regulations.

The bill, which contains almost 400 sections, modifies about 100 different laws.

PQ members said the amendment would restrain the freedom of expression of those who want to criticize a religion or religious belief.

The amendment would also make illegal the distribution of anti-religious publications or the use of other media of communication to make such attacks.

Among those leading the denunciation of the amendment was Gerald Godin, PQ member for Mercier, who felt it would effect even such classical critiques of religion as those by Francois Rabelais and Miguel Cervantes.

Another Pequiste, Claude Filion, the member for Taillon, said the Criminal Code and legislation on hate literature already provide sufficient protection against attacks on religion.

Marx's amendment also came under fire from the Reseau d'action et d'information des femmes which said it could inhibit discussion of religion as it affects the rights of women. The RAIF has been critical in the past of the Catholic Church's restrictions on the role of women.

Marx responded that it was not his intention to restrain the freedom of expression in any way. "What we want to do has been misunderstood." He has submitted the amendment to lawyers to find a better way to word the text.

Drop Lavi, U.S. official urges Israel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — **U.S. deputy undersecretary of defence, Dov Zakheim, believes Israel should abandon plans to build its second-generation jet fighter plane, the Lavi. Instead, he said Israel should use the funds, mainly U.S. military assistance grants, to beef up its navy with more missile boats and submarines.**

Zakheim, the Pentagon's chief costs expert, met with ranking defence ministry officials and Israel Defence Forces senior officers here last week. His message disappointed his Israeli hosts, though his opposition to the Lavi has long been known.

The American suggestion that Israel builds more missile boats and submarines also poses financial and technical problems. Israel has never built submarines, and U.S. naval shipyards build only nuclear subs. They have not built conventional undersea craft for decades.

The Americans have suggested two West German shipyards and Zakheim proposed that Israel pay for the vessels in goods and services rather than cash. But the Israelis say the costs are too high for a barter deal.

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Editorial

Red Cross' insult

The Red Cross, that international movement founded by the Swiss as an agency designed to succor suffering humanity, has done grave damage to its own integrity through a recent decision to change its name.

Its official title is now International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement. The Red Crescent, of course, is the Red Cross equivalent in Muslim countries.

The decision to change the name of that hoary institution came inexplicably without any formal vote during the organization's quadrennial meeting.

The movement's name change abuts directly against Israel's repeated attempts (since 1948) to seek full membership in the Red Cross.

An Israeli delegate at the Geneva meetings pointed out that Israel fulfils all criteria for full membership except for the symbol it displays on its publicity, namely the Magen David Adom.

Another delegate at the Swiss meeting, a representative of the World Jewish Congress, said that "the use of the emblems associated in the eyes of many with the two great religions of Christianity and Islam enshrines the religious polarization that propels the emblem crisis into unprecedented proportions of gravity."

There is no doubt that the integrity of the Red Cross has been compromised by its name change — which contradicts the letter and spirit of the non-political international image which the Red Cross has always promoted.

By restricting Israel from using its sacred Magen David emblem while permitting Muslims to join their crescent to the cross a dubious exclusivism has entered the precincts of the one international organization that could cross hostile frontiers in order to care for the sick, the wounded and the needy.

Jewish organizations have the obligation to make the most vigorous protest against the Red Cross. The insult conveyed against Jews and Judaism by the Red Cross's move is unmistakable. It cannot be permitted.

Beirut syndrome

We must register a sharp disagreement with the post-burial behavior of those who attended the funeral of a young yeshiva student in Jerusalem last week (CJN Nov. 20).

The young boy was wantonly murdered by members of one of the Palestinian terrorist organizations. That was bad enough.

What was equally deplorable was that bands of mourners stormed through the Arab quarter of Jerusalem seeking to exact vengeance for the murder of the yeshiva student.

There are several factions who will derive satisfaction from this spectacle.

The first is the PLO and its agents who profit from any kind of inter-community strife in Israel.

The second is the extreme right in Israel: its partisans advocate the kind of direct punitive action taken against the Arab residents of Jerusalem.

Bands of marauding students, however sincere and deep their grief may be, disfigure the honor and reputation of Israel as a state committed to justice, law and order.

Acts such as these point the Jewish state dangerously in the direction of the Beirut syndrome in which all the restraints of civilized society have disintegrated.

There is, moreover, no need for vigilante justice in Israel. The country's security agencies have compiled a fine record in identifying, pursuing and charging perpetrators of crimes. It took less than three weeks for one of those agencies to find those responsible for launching grenades against innocent people at the Dung Gate.

Sooner or later criminal or terrorist elements in Israel are discovered, arrested and charged.

When a mob courses through civilian areas it becomes both judge and jury, court and executioner. This cannot be permitted.

Israel was created in order to put an end to the kind of conduct displayed by those mourners in Jerusalem. It was the conduct of a minority. We hope it does not represent anything more.

Institute reports on terror in Europe

Jewish, Israeli centres targeted

THE JEWISH WORLD

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Terrorist attacks against Jewish and Israeli targets in Europe have become somewhat commonplace in the past five years. Synagogues have been the primary objectives of the terrorists, but restaurants, a travel agency and airport lounges have also been hit.

A new report on this phenomenon by the Institute of Jewish Affairs in London illuminates the problem.

The highlights:

•From January of 1980 to December of 1985, 154 terrorist attacks were recorded in 16 countries, with 62% occurring in France. Trailing behind were Britain and Italy.

•About 27% of the attacks were targeted against Israeli facilities or citizens, and the rest against Jewish community institutions and/or Jewish individuals. A third of these attacks were directed at persons rather than property.

•Fifty one people were killed and 589 wounded in these attacks, but the majority of the victims were passersby.

•In only eight of the 36 incidents leading to casualties were the perpetrators captured.

Middle Eastern terrorists do not concentrate on the Jewish/Israeli sector. In 1980, 15% of these attacks were directed at Jewish and Israeli targets. In 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984 and 1985 the percentages were 45%, 29%, 8.3%, 0%, and 13.3%.

In most cases, Arab terrorists attacked Arabs — Jordanians, Syrians, Libyans, Iraqis, Libyans and Palestinians.

MOCZAR PASSES ON

If Poland's postwar image among Jews is still far from rosy, Mieczyslaw Moczar can take much of the credit. Moczar, who died in Warsaw on Nov. 1, spearheaded the officially-sanctioned anti-Zionist (read anti-semitic) campaign in 1968 which drove an estimated 30,000 Jews out of Poland.

Moczar, whose real name was Nikolai Demko, was an ethnic Ukrainian who joined the Communist Party in 1938. Born in Lodz, Moczar remained in Poland as a partisan during the war years while most of his fellow Communists lived in exile in the Soviet Union.

After the establishment of a Communist state in Poland, Moczar's career as a functionary blossomed. In March of 1968, when student demonstrations rocked the country, he was minister of interior. Moczar cracked down hard on the ringleaders, some of whom were Jewish, and he was successful in crushing their protests.

There was a power struggle within the Communist Party as these events unfolded, and anti-semitism, a traditional Polish staple, was used by both sides for advantage. Moczar, fighting to unseat party leader Wlaydslaw Gomulka, played on the issue to such a degree that Gomulka, whose wife was Jewish, pandered to it as well. And by doing so, Gomulka deflected Moczar's bid to succeed him.

Moczar withdrew from the fray, but before retreating he managed to whip up a hateful anti-Jewish atmosphere. In the ensuing months, Jews were denounced as Zionists and many of them were forced out of their jobs. The creme de la creme of Poland's Jewish intelligentsia emigrated, leaving Poland all but bereft of Jews. Not surprisingly, only a handful immigrated to Israel. Zionists they were not! These Polish Jews preferred Western Europe, particularly Denmark, and the U.S.

In 1980, amid the crisis spawned by the formation of the Solidarity trade union, Moczar was recalled to the ruling politburo. He plotted to remove Stanislaw Kania, who had replaced Gomulka, as party leader. But he fell short. Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski took over from Kania and Moczar was eased back into the sidelines.

At his death, he was 73.

JEWS OF ALBANIA

We know very, very little about the Jewish community in Albania, the world's most tightly regimented state. Rigidly atheistic, Albania is as hermetically sealed as any nation can be. Albania is closed to tourism and only a handful of journalists have ever visited this mountainous country bordering on Yugoslavia and Greece.

According to the 1971 edition of the Encyclopedia Judaica, Albania was home to some 200 Jews before World War II, and about the same number at last count. But this may be pure guesswork, given the paucity of information.

Several months ago, the blank page of Albanian Jewry was partially filled in by a Jew who fled this repressive police state. Samuel Matathia, whose mother is Greek Orthodox, gave a rare account of life there.

Matathia, a 31-year-old former canteen worker from the Adriatic coastal town of Valona, said Jews were habitually discriminated against in employment, housing and education, claiming they never reached high positions.

At a press conference, he charged the government with fomenting anti-semitism, and noted that anti-semitic attitudes were common among the people.

He thought there were 2,000 to 2,500 Jews throughout Albania, but said he could not be sure. Unless there are radical political changes in Albania, we will never really know.

WHAT A BAR MITZVAH

Talk about extravagant bar mitzvahs.

Gerald and Linda Guterman of Bedford, NY, set Manhattan on its head recently by marking their son's coming of age on the Queen Elizabeth 2. Guterman, a developer, rented the famous cruise liner for a day and invited hundreds of guests to make merry.

Friends and relatives were waited on by a full crew of 1,000, and all the ship's amenities, including swimming pools and saunas, were open at no charge. They feasted on kosher gourmet meals as the QE2 sailed 46 miles into the Atlantic, and danced the night away to the tunes of the Peter Duchin and Emery Davis orchestras.

Rabbi Arthur Schneier, who conducted the religious service, told the New York Times: "This is my first floating bar mitzvah."

Guinness Book of Records take note.

A SURVIVOR

Rudolf Vrba was one of the star witnesses in the 1985 Ernst Zundel trial in Toronto. As an Auschwitz survivor, he provided some of the most startling, telling evidence of the atrocities perpetrated there. After listening to Vrba, a courtroom spectator could have no doubts that the Holocaust, Zundel's claims to the contrary, was just a hoax.

Gave startling, telling evidence at the trial of Ernst Zundel

Vrba spent two horrifying years in the Nazis' preeminent concentration camp, cheating death on numerous occasions. And in Auschwitz, Vrba was perfectly situated to document the mass, systematic murder of European Jewry. For eight months, he labored as a camp registrar, watching hundreds of trains filled with Jews pulling in to disgorge their human cargo. As a result of this experience, he decided he had to escape. "I was determined to get out, but no longer because I wanted freedom for myself," he writes in *Escape From Auschwitz (Grove Press, $3.95)*, which has been reissued in paperback. "I wanted to warn those yet to come what lay ahead..."

In April of 1944, he and a fellow inmate, having concealed themselves beneath floor boards, escaped and made their way to Slovakia, where they told their incredible story to incredulous Jewish leaders and a papal nuncio.

Their eyewitness account, the first, was greeted with disbelief. The pair were cross-examined ruthlessly, but their story held up. The gruesome facts were forwarded to Pope Pius XII, Prime Minister Winston Churchill and President Franklin Roosevelt. Now the world knew about Auschwitz.

The information did not benefit the doomed Jews of Hungary, the last ones to be included on Hitler's death list. But at least Vrba had the satisfaction of knowing he had done everything humanly possible to save them from the Nazi beast.

Rudolf Vrba

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Opinion

Tough political leader a man of contrasts

Ben-Gurion: vision, pragmatism and dilemmas

ARI RATH, editor of The Jerusalem Post, discusses here some of the facets of David Ben-Gurion's strong personality. This is one of a series marking the 100th anniverary of the birth of Ben-Gurion, the first Prime Minister of Israel.

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It was a cold, wet winter's night in December 1973. Endless lines of people from all walks of life were moving slowly across the Knesset plaza in Jerusalem to pay a last tribute to the man who, more than any other single person, is credited with the creation of the State of Israel.

Political friends and foes mingled in one huge, orderly crowd to take leave of the man who became a legend in his lifetime and was regarded by them as the father of the nation. Bitter disputes and fierce arguments, which had been part and parcel of the long political struggle for Jewish independence, were forgotten as their homage to David Ben-Gurion, the determined and often uncompromising leader, united them.

It was only a few weeks since the end of the bitter Yom Kippur War, and the nation was longing for the voice of a strong political figure who would again imbue it with hope and vision. Ironically, it was the voice and the memory of the dead Ben-Gurion that brought back such hope.

David Ben-Gurion was a man of contrasts. His personality can perhaps be summed up as that of a national leader with near-prophetic vision combined with immense political pragmatism and courage.

Yet he could be stubborn to the point of unreasonableness over an issue which he regarded as a matter of unassailable principle. He was a tough and determined political leader who was capable of making the most agonizing decisions against tremendous odds.

Faced with the choice of upholding a principle or carrying out a political or military move which he regarded as vital, he would be undeterred by party or personal loyalty, even to his closest allies and comrades. Yet he was also a man of great sentiment and human compassion, although these traits were hidden most of the time under a tough exterior.

He would fight his adversaries without mercy, both inside and outside his own political camp, yet towards the end of his days he yearned to become reconciled with them and to be able to restore old friendships.

A recollection of some of the major crossroads and decisions in Ben-Gurion's long political career will best illustrate his foresight, vision, pragmatism and dilemmas. In addition to the famed achievements, there were many political and personal defeats.

In the early 30s he had reached a personal agreement with Ze'ev Jabotinsky, the Revisionist leader, on renewed cooperation between the two major camps of the Zionist movement.

Despite their opposing views, Ben-Gurion thought that the re-merging of all Zionist forces would best serve the tasks of national revival and help to remove the bitter and often violent rivalry between the Labor-Zionist and the National-Zionist camps in the tiny Jewish community — the Yishuv — of Eretz Yisrael.

It was a purely pragmatic move, which did not diminish his bitter criticism of the dangers inherent in the teachings of what he perceived as "nationalist, abstract adventurism which could not contribute to the building of a Jewish homeland and of a new, just society."

Ben-Gurion was overruled by his colleagues in the Labor movement — one of the few times he had to yield to a majority opposing his views — and the rift in the Zionist movement, and later between the major political camps in Israel, widened more and more.

Ben-Gurion was overruled once more by his party colleagues in 1937, when he favored accepting the partition scheme of the British Peel Commission, which would have created a tiny Jewish state along the coastal strip, roughly between Tel Aviv and Haifa. Yet he believed that it was vital to attain even a small area of Jewish sovereignty — where a mini-Jewish state could help rescue the victims of the Nazi regime, which had come to power in Germany four years earlier.

In the summer of 1939, Britain issued the infamous White Paper, curtailing Jewish immigration and settlement in Palestine to the point of strangulation. A few months later Ben-Gurion was to coin the famous slogan, "We shall fight Hitler as if there was no White Paper and we shall fight the British White Paper as if there was no war against Nazi Germany." He then set out to establish an elaborate organization to bring in Jewish immigrants "illegally — aliya bet — and to establish Jewish settlements in 'forbidden' " areas under the noses of the British.

Ben-Gurion recognized early on that a military clash with the British in defence of aliya and Jewish settlement, and subsequently with the Arabs who kept on fighting the Yishuv, would be inevitable once World War II ended.

David Ben-Gurion presenting U.S. President Harry S. Truman with a chanukiah during a visit to the U.S. in 1951. Abba Eban, then ambassador to the United Nations, is in the centre.

Strengthening the Jewish fighting force — the Haganah — which subsequently became the nucleus of the Israel Defence Force therefore became his top priority. But at the same time he rejected and fought against the extremist, dissident underground military movements, Etzel and Lehi, which were headed by Menachem Begin and Yitzhak Shamir.

In 1942, the crisis year of World War II and eventually its turning point following the Allied victories at El Alamein and Stalingrad, Ben-Gurion decided that it was time to demand "forthwith" the establishment of a "Jewish commonwealth." Since he proclaimed this before an audience of American Zionists at the Biltmore Hotel in New York, it became known as Ben-Gurion's "Biltmore Program."

It was rejected by both the more leftwing activist part of the Labor movement and by the rightwing nationalists, because it would have meant the partitioning of Eretz Yisrael into a Jewish and an Arab state. But this time, Ben-Gurion's view prevailed within his party, Mapai. He knew that without Jewish sovereignty, the survivors of the Nazi Holocaust would not find a home and a refuge once the war was over. Ben-Gurion's determination, which carried the day, caused a split in Mapai and in the Labor movement, from which it only recovered 25 years later. But the main aim of Zionism was saved.

The November 1947 partition resolution of the United Nations, Britain's exodus from Palestine in May 1948, and the proclamation of the State of Israel on the same day, despite the imminent invasion of five Arab armies, were the logical conclusion of Zionism's political watershed, which began with the Biltmore programme.

To celebrate the 100th birthday of "the father of Israel," David Ben-Gurion, Israel has issued official state medals in bronze, silver and gold. All feature a profile portrait sculptured by Duda Idelstein; on the reverse there is a menorah surrounded by these historic words in English and Hebrew: "We hereby declare the establishment of a Jewish state in Eretz Israel to be known as the State of Israel."

Twenty-five years later, Ben-Gurion recalled with disappointment another daring move of his which was stifled by a majority of his cabinet colleagues from his own party. Towards the end of the 1948 War of Independence, he proposed a military campaign that could have secured the bulk of the West Bank and all of Jerusalem for Israel.

"I know that we could have got the whole of Jerusalem and the area all the way down to Hebron within 10 days," he said in his last interview with The Jerusalem Post. "But the cabinet decided against it and there was nothing I could do."

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In the early 50s, Ben-Gurion realized that it was time to come to terms with what he called a "new Germany," which was slowly emerging from the years of Nazi tyranny. He found in Konrad Adenauer, the leader and founder of post-war Germany who was 10 years his senior, a faithful ally in this daring and painful move. Again, Ben-Gurion met with opposition from the left and from the right. But he prevailed, undeterred even by Herut's march on the Knesset in an attempt to torpedo approval of the Reparations Agreement with Adenauer's Germany.

Five years after the establishment of the state, Ben-Gurion decided that it was time to reflect and to serve as a personal example for Israel's youth in order to revive the pioneering spirit of the pre-state era. He stepped down from office for a short period and made the young Kibbutz Sde Boker in the Hegev his home.

At the height of the fedayeen attacks in 1956, Ben-Gurion, once again Prime Minister, became convinced that Israel would have to act against Nasser's Egypt — the main supporter of Arab aggression at the time — possibly in cooperation with the France and the Britain.

He was convinced that he would not be able to launch what was to become known as the Sinai Campaign as long as the moderate and pedantic Moshe Sharett remained foreign minister in his cabinet.

Despite their long-standing joint leadership, Ben-Gurion did what he thought was inevitable. He put the choice to his party: "Sharett or me. We can no longer work together."

A 3-man committee, which included Sharett's own brother-in-law, Sahul Avingur, recommended unanimously that Sharett would have to go and that Golda Meir should become foreign minister.

Political determination and necessity had to prevail over personal loyalties in Ben-Gurion's eyes.

The Lavon affair of the early 60s, in which the veteran leaders, Golda Meir, Sharett, Pinhas Sapir, and his longtime close associates, Levi Eshkol, sided against Ben-Gurion, was the undoing of his political career. All attempts at mediation, to bring Ben-Gurion to reason and compromise over an issue which, on the face of it, was esoteric and largely irrelevant to the realities of the 60s, failed. In Ben-Gurion's view, the need for a judicial inquiry into the 1954 security "mishap" in Egypt when Pinhas Lavon was defence minister was a sacred principle.

In June 1963, 15 years after he became Israel's first Prime Minister, Ben-Gurion stepped down. He realized that he had lost the confidence of his closest party colleagues, who in fact had revolted against his firm and so often uncompromising leadership.

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Two years later, in 1965, Ben-Gurion took a completely unexpected step. He decided to revolt against the Labor movement which he had founded, and informed his still loyal supporters, Moshe Dayan, Shimon Peres, Yitzhak Navon and Yosef Almogi, that he was forming his own party — the Lit of Israel Workers, Rafi.

When they failed to prevail upon him to desist from such an extreme move, they followed him, reluctantly, into the political wilderness.

Perhaps one of Ben-Gurion's biggest disappointments came with the celebration of his 80th birthday in 1966. It was the year of the "great split" in Mapai, and although thousands of people had come down to Sde Boker to attend a big pageant, depicting the history of his life, some of his closest colleagues, with whom he had shared his entire political life, stayed away. He was then the head of the small, 10-member Rafi Knesset faction, the first time that he had been in opposition to the establishment. Yet he seemed undeterred and stepped up the writing of his memoirs.

January 1968 brought personal tragedy: Paula, his faithful companion for 50 years, died suddenly. Ben-Gurion went to the Sde Boker College, the fulfillment of one of his dreams of an institute of higher learning in the heart of the Negev, to choose the site of a grave for his wife and himself, a small plot opposite the library, facing the Wilderness of Zin.

Ben-Gurion's loneliness became political as well as personal in that same month: his faithful disciples, Moshe Dayan and Shimon Peres, decided to rejoin Mapai and to form the Labor Party together with Ahdut Ha'avoda. Ben-Gurion remained a lone opposition of one in the Knesset.

He began to spend more and more time at Sde Boker, immersing himself in his hundreds of files and thousands of books, writing page after page by hand every day, as if in a fever to complete his memoirs before his time ran out.

Then came his 85th birthday in 1971, which became the year of the "great reconciliation." The entire cabinet, headed by Prime Minister Golda Meir, traveled to Sde Boker to hold a special session in his honor in the college library. At last, Ben-Gurion was at peace with both friends and former foes, and the bitter disputes of recent years were forgotten.

Israel's first Prime Minister and elder statesman had become an undisputed national figure, reaching another pinnacle in the long public career that stretched over seven decades — one of the few leaders in the history of any nation to have lived long enough to see his political visions materialize.

Opinion

Eloquent testimony to Holocaust, bygone era

91-year-old author records haunting memories

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SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Writers usually do their best work when they're fairly young and physically vigorous. Joachim Schoenfeld turned that truism on its head when, at the ripe old age of 84, he embarked on a literary odyssey that resulted in the publication of two books.

"Once I was harnessed to the project, I wanted to carry on," he says. "Always I was thinking, at my age, I wouldn't have enough time to finish."

But as it absorbed him, Schoenfeld forgot the age factor. "I simply sat down and worked."

He lived to see the fruits of his labor. Last year, when he was 90, Ktav Publishing House, the noted Jewish publisher based in New Jersey, brought out *Holocaust Memoirs* and *Shtetl Memoirs*.

Based on his own experiences and reports related to him by relatives and friends, Holocaust Memoirs essentially deals with the Final Solution as it unfolded in the Lwow ghetto and the little-known Janowski concentration camp. Shtetl Memoirs, which resurrects a way of life utterly destroyed by the Nazis, recalls the Galician town of his birth, Sniatyn, where 70% of its 18,000 inhabitants were Jewish.

Critics were impressed with the books, saying they bore eloquent testimony to the Holocaust and a bygone era in European Jewish history.

And if they had known what Schoenfeld went through to get his works published, they no doubt would have been still more impressed with the author.

An economist by training, Schoenfeld lost his parents, his first wife and his two sons in the Holocaust. Before the war, in Warsaw, he had been a director of a Polish conglomerate manufacturing nails and wires.

After his liberation by the Red Army, he set down his recollections, intending to bear witness to the atrocities perpetrated by the Nazis and their East European collaborators. But he couldn't get on with his self-imposed task. He was plagued by war-related health problems, having contracted colitis and arthritis. And the memories he had of the Holocaust were just too haunting. "I didn't want to scratch the wounds."

Schoenfeld survived the war in the Soviet Union, and in July of 1946, when the infamous pogrom in Kielce was taking place, he was repatriated to Poland. He lived in Wroclaw (formerly Breslau) and earned his living as the proprietor of a shoe shop. In 1950, he immigrated to Israel, working as a saddler for the Jewish Agency in Rehovot, an arcane trade he had learned in Poland.

Schoenfeld and his new wife did not find Israel too congenial, partly because they disliked the hot climate and partly because economic prospects were so poor. In 1955, they went to West Germany, and for the next two years Schoenfeld — the holder of an Austrian university degree — studied economics at the University of Munich and supported himself as a bookkeeper.

Before he could complete his PhD, he obtained a Canadian visa and left Munich. "I arrived in Hamilton on a Saturday and on Monday I was working as a bookkeeper for a Jewish heating and plumbing supplies company," he says.

Schoenfeld blended into Hamilton well, but he never forgot the pain he had endured during the Holocaust. Images of his murdered family regularly flashed through his mind, and common-place scenes stirred his imagination. When he saw a little boy on the street, he could not help but think of his two sons. And when he attended a wedding, he thought of the weddings his sons might have had.

There was yet another dimension to his suffering. Like most Holocaust survivors, he was torn by guilt pangs: He had survived but his dearly beloved ones had not.

Joachim Schoenfeld

Despite his bouts with colitis and arthritis, Schoenfeld's health was such that he was able to keep his job for 22 years, retiring at 84. "I had no other way and I was able to work," he explains.

After his retirement, Schoenfeld's wife and two nieces urged him to write down his thoughts on the Holocaust and publish them. Schoenfeld was somewhat reluctant, knowing that the market was saturated with Holocaust literature. What could he contribute? What fresh insights could he offer?

Schoenfeld was not entirely convinced by their replies. What finally made him do it was Robert Faurrison, a French Holocaust revisionist who cast doubts on its authenticity (and who was subsequently a witness in the trial of Toronto Holocaust denier Ernst Zundel.)

He had no trouble writing *Shtetl Memoirs*, but *Holocaust Memoirs* did not come so easily to him. He would cry as he strained to remember the war years, and, as his relatives and friends assisted him in reconstructing the bitter past, they would cry as well.

In Miami Beach, where he completed much of the work, Schoenfeld labored away on a rented typewriter, often working entire days. He wrote in English, a language he had learned as a youth.

If he thought the hard part was over with the completion of the manuscripts, Schoenfeld was in for a surprise. The first publisher, a Toronto firm, turned him down, but encouraged him to look elsewhere. The Jewish Publication Society of America said no, while a third publisher wanted to shorten *Holocaust Memoirs* and eliminate *Shtetl Memoirs* altogether, a notion Schoenfeld rejected.

Persistence, patience led to publication

Schoenfeld, who had had no exposure to the publishing world, knew he would have to be patient and persistent if he was ever to place his manuscripts.

Holocaust Publishing House of New York was interested, but the publisher was short of funds. Not discouraged by yet another rejection, Schoenfeld approached Bernard Scharfstein, the publisher of Ktav, and asked him to read his manuscripts. He agreed.

After a while, Schoenfeld phoned Scharfstein, only to learn that Ktav lacked the financial resources to publish the books. The Foundation of Jewish Culture, a New York-based outfit, saved the day. The grant they had given Schoenfeld enabled Ktav to publish *Holocaust Memoirs* and *Shtetl Memoirs*, but not before a relatively large chunk of it had been deleted and he suffered a heart attack.

Schoenfeld isn't certain why he had a heart attack, but he speculates it may have been caused by his reliving of the Holocaust and his "running around" trying to find a publisher.

A voracious reader of history, Schoenfeld has no plans to write another book on the Holocaust. "I've exhausted the subject," he says with a grin. However, he is thinking seriously of doing a book on Jewish-Ukrainian relations. In fact, he has already begun the research for it.

Schoenfeld, whose health has taken a turn for the worse of late, is proceeding with his latest project in the tremulous hope that he can complete it.

For Joachim Schoenfeld, 91, each new day is like a miracle. At his age, nothing can be taken for granted.

EXCERPTS FROM SHTETL MEMOIRS . . .

I was born and raised in the shtetl of Sniatyn. Since the life of the Jews in all the shtetls of Galicia, and indeed throughout Eastern Europe, was, with slight deviations, more or less the same, my picture of life in Sniatyn reflects that in hundreds of other shtetls as well and can be taken as an approximate description of all of them.

Although I never returned to my shtetl after the First World War, all my love and my most fervent feelings go back to that era. Even today, although thousands of miles away from it, after having fought in many trenches on different battlefields during the First World War, after having survived Hitler's concentration camps, and after having traveled through many countries, happiness overcomes me when I think back to those days and manage to recapture some of the tableaus of former years. . . .

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Jews were engaged in two types of work. One group worked for and serviced the Jewish population. A second group followed occupations of general character in the professions, carrying on businesses, plying trade, and performing many types of hard and backbreaking work.

There were also Jews who did nothing but study the Torah all day and late into the night. The parnusse gebers, the ones who worried about parnusse and cared for the upkeep of the household and the children were their wives. The men lived an ascetic life. Some fasted every Monday and Thursday and didn't bother about money. The wives were proud of their husbands and happily convinced that the mode of life their husbands pursued would bring them straight into heaven. When their time came, they too would be rewarded and would be allowed to accompany their husbands into paradise. It did not matter what kind of life you had to endure on earth, as long as you were able to earn the "other world." Meanwhile, these poor, overworked women worried about parnusse, the household, and the bearing of children. . . .

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People who were music lovers had the opportunity to listen to the newest songs, that is, the newest in the shtetl, although they were already forgotten elsewhere. In the hotel, a family of singers, father, mother, and their talented offspring, usually ranging in ages from six to sixteen, presented their talents and played old scratched records (his master's voice) on a phonograph, a novelty at that time in the shtetl.

Wandering organ grinders and Yiddish folksingers were often visitors of the shtetl. Their songs and plays were sentimental and sad, and unlike the singers with the phonograph, touched the people, especially the womenfolk. They described the details about the Dreyfus affair, about the terrible cruelties during the pogrom in Kishinev, and lamented the fate of the poor people. Also, how the rich man eats, every day, the best roast, whereas the poor only know suntig bulbes, muntig bulbes, dinstig bulbes, mitwoch bulbes, doneshtic bulbes, fraaytik bulbes oon och unway Shabbes a shtik broyd oon a shwants foon a herring ("Sunday, potatoes, Monday, potatoes . . . and so on, and on Saturday, a slice of bread and a tail of a herring").

One of the common events was the showing of a big brown bear by a hutzul (a mountainer from the neighboring Carpathian Mountains). This tame animal was kept on a chain. The bear danced to the music of the flute played by his master. The children were even allowed to touch the bear.

A Yiddish theatrical group only rarely came to the shtetl because there were no facilities available in which to present a good play. The only adequate space, which belonged to the Polish Sokol club, wouldn't be rented to Jews.

The shtetl considered it a great honor when Sholem Rabinowicz (Shalom Aleichem) visited it on his way to Czernowitz and everybody could hear the writer himself read some of his works. . . .

Significant changes make life tougher for modern rabbi

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Congregations that have upgraded and strengthened their youth and education programs have attracted a significant number of new adherents, while shuls that diverted their resources to outreach programs suffered losses among their own membership. This finding was corroborated by the experiences of a number of rabbis in his session, Hoschander reported. "If a rabbi establishes a strong, viable institution, it will attract alienated Jews automatically," he said.

TORONTO —

The pulpit rabbinate has overtaken medicine and law as the most stressful occupation, according to a study discussed at Yeshiva University's annual rabbinical school alumni convention, held recently in the New York area.

"The rabbi is at the beck and call of his congregation 24 hours a day. He has no fixed hours," said Shaarei Shomayim's Rabbi Henry Hoschander, one of several rabbis from Canada attending the convention. "This places tremendous pressure on him and his family. His children cannot establish a meaningful relation with him. Even the Shabbosim are not his."

Hoschander, chaired the convention's opening session, which dealt with significant changes in the rabbinate over the past 25 years.

Trends noted in that session, he told The Canadian Jewish News, included:

- The evolution of the modern congregational rabbi from sermonizer to teacher and educator.
- The superiority of internal consolidation over outreach programs in attracting Jews alienated from Judaism.
- The proliferation of multiple minyanim within large congregations.
- The increasing preference for rabbis over social workers and psychiatrists by congregants involved in family breakdowns.

Rabbis Martin Applebaum of Windsor, Ont., Meyer Berglas formerly of Toronto, Elliot Feldman of Toronto, Howard Finkelstein of Kingston, Ont., Ira Grussgot formerly of Toronto, Shalom Kurz of London, Ont., Moshe Jablon of Montreal, Marvin Pritzker of Halifax, and Sol Spiro of Chomedy, Quebec, joined Hoschander among the 200 or so rabbis attending the convention.

"Twenty-five years ago, there was a tremendous emphasis put on the sermon," said Rabbi Hoschander. "It was the principal manner in which the rabbi related to the congregation. Now, thanks to the advanced Jewish education enjoyed by a relatively large segment of the community's younger members, the demand is for more shiurim (lectures) and classes in substantive topics like Chumash with Rashi and Gemarrah (Talmud)." Older congregations not offering such instruction have lost their younger members to small dynamic new congregations that do, he said.

More people seeking family counseling

The proliferation of small semi-independent minyanim is an inevitable feature of large congregations as an increasing number of members try to meet their individual needs, said Hoschander. "The more enlightened congregations have accepted and accommodated" their spinoffs, said Hoschander, "to the benefit of all involved."

More people seeking family counseling are turning to their rabbis for immediate concrete advice, rather than submit to numerous sessions with psychiatrtists or social workers in the hope of eventually coming to a decision or some appropriate mode of behavior, he said.

"A rabbi, after two or three sessions, can give specific advice in family breakdowns and similar cases," said Hoschander. "Going to a psychiatrist or social worker usually means a minimum of six sessions, while often the procedure can become extremely long," he said. "And the goal of all these sessions is to come to some conclusion about what to do."

He said: "People are looking for more direction than they can usually find wandering around the fringes of their problem. Their rabbi, they find, gives advice and direction."

Opinion

Regretably, our poor are not vocal enough

15% of Toronto Jews live at or below poverty line

By
J. B. SALSBERG

Recently, the Canadian media gave sensational publicity to prominent financiers and their corporations that were engaged in dramatic "takeover" or "raiding" or "flipping" battles to gain control of large, profitable and independent firms who resisted the takeover offensives of outsiders. Both the raiders and the defenders gained much notoriety in the process.

J. B. Salsberg

The generals in all such financial wars, both here and in the U.S. came from every religious, national origin and political persuasion of the Canadian spectrum. But, and here is where the ever present "Jewish angle" makes its appearance — but it so happened that in those jungle wars a half-a-dozen or so prominent Jewish super-rich families occupied centre-stage positions. Consequently, they gained the kind of publicity that they, and all of us, could have gotten along without.

This unwelcome notoriety is grist for the anti-semitic mills. The age-old canard that all Jews are rich was, of course, huckstered for centuries by leaders who benefited from the cruel exploitation of their own peoples. It was a cynical maneuver to divert the wrath of their own poor from themselves and direct it against the Jewish minority that was also poor. Czarist Russia excelled in this cynical but bloody tactic that led to pogrom and the spilling of much Jewish blood. (In Canada, during the Depression of the 30s, the founders of the original Social Credit movement told the then-impoverished Alberta farmers that Jewish capital and U.S. Jewish bankers were the cause of their misery. . . .)

In view of such happenings it would seem appropriate to examine the actual socio-economic position of Canadian Jewry at this time. Not being a professional researcher I will limit myself to the largest Jewish community in the country — Greater Toronto.

We need, of course, to recognize that Toronto Jewry, like their kin elsewhere in the country, has undergone very important social and economic transformation during the last 40 or 50 years. That transformation paralleled, to a considerable degree, the economic and social changes that took place in the country as a whole.

From a predominantly wage-earning community (needle trades) we became a more diversified wage and **salary**-earning people, with a definite increase of the professional and middle class. Here, too, we were in step with the rest of the country as it advanced from a primarily agricultural and natural resource economy to the industrialization level and now into the microchip stage. Even at the upper class levels, which Jews have reached, they would seem to me to be, percentage-wise, no higher than where the French Canadians, the Italian Canadians, the Ukrainian Canadians and others have reached.

As for the masses of Canadian Jews, their socioeconomic levels today would not seem to have deviated much from the general, overall levels. It is my view that most Canadian Jews today are wage and salary earners and, furthermore, that we also have our average share of poor people who live at the marginal or below poverty line.

Instead of needle trade workers tens of thousands of Canadian Jews now earn their livelihood as teachers, office workers, salespeople, engineers, doctors, dentists, lawyers, druggists, industrial workers, mechanics, taxi drivers, small shopkeepers, journalists, writers, social workers, civil servants (including the sizeable Jewish civil service), etc. etc. etc. **They, the vast majority, live by what they honestly earn by brain or brawn. They are not rich.**

• **On the other hand: It may shock many people to learn that in greater Toronto 15% of all Jews live at the marginal or the below poverty line, as defined by Statistics Canada, based on the 1981 census figures.**

• The Jewish Family & Child Service of Toronto is servicing 1,200 family units this year who require special assistance.

• An amazingly high percentage of applicants to our truly wonderful Home for the Aged possess little more than their pensions.

• The Jewish Community Centre (the Y) grants scholarships (aided by Toronto Jewish Congress) to senior citizens who would otherwise not be able to use the facilities.

• The Toronto Jewish day schools are obliged to offer special scholarships to many pupils whose parents are unable to meet the minimum rates of such institutions.

This catalogue of evidence to show that we, the Jews of Canada, are not really richer than other Canadians could be extended considerably. But, enough has been presented to prove my point. And, I believe that the same circumstances prevail in Montreal, in Winnipeg and in all larger centres of Jewish living. (Regretably, our poor are not vocal enough.)

So: No, as a community we are not super-rich; we are not even rich — we are close to Canada's average. I doubt whether anti-semites of the Keegstra kind will be convinced by our evidence. But my uncle Eliezer says that it is too bad that such evidence has to be broadcast. . . .

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address, phone number and handwritten signature.

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HE BOOS BUS SEXISM

Re your Nov. 6 wire-service report from Jerusalem headed "Segregation blocked":

I am apalled to learn that two ultra-Orthodox rabbis attempted to ban the seating of men and women side by side in buses linking Bnei Brak with Tel Aviv.

They decreed that men should sit on the left and women on the right. If there are no seats, women passengers would be required to sit in the rear to spare men the temptation of looking at them — even if only at their backs.

I am shocked to learn about the racist attitude of these fanatic rabbis.

Fortunately, cooler and more reasonable heads prevailed in the Israel transport ministry and the Dan bus cooperative.

Since when do rabbis decree next to whom I am permitted to sit on a bus, a train, a plane, or in a space capsule?

I have nothing but condemnation for rabbis of that nature.

Gerry G. Hamburg
Montreal

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1 NAZI TOO MANY

Some petty fighting seems to have taken place between Sol Littman, the Canadian representative of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre, and Ottawa's Deschenes Commission of Inquiry on war criminals.

The fighting is over whether Littman sent one or two lists to the commission, and whether 26 names or seven names of alleged Nazi war criminals were not previously known to the commission.

Let's keep one thing in mind: One Nazi is too many.

Dr. Julius Pfeiffer
Montreal

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DISPUTES OUR "DISINFORMATION"

Your Oct. 2 Rosh Hashanah issue included an interview by Ron Csillag which gave the disinformation that "under Yoram Avidor, Israel's inflation rate soared into near four figures."

The truth is that in 1980 — just before I assumed office as Israel's minister of finance — the annual rate of inflation was 133%.

During my tenure in that office, the annual rate of inflation was of the same figure or less than that.

Yoram Avidor MK
Jerusalem

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POEM ON POET'S HOAX

Please treat my enclosed poem as a reply to Irving Layton's charming comments on Frank Rasky's fine Oct. 9 article, in which the poet confessed that his pose as an outrageous, womanizing lecher was a hoax:

It was a hoax
you said
to sell
the real fertile muck.
You manipulated our lust
and envy
(and admitted it in a
Jewish newspaper, yet).

Irving,
my brother Irving,
your genius is intact.

Instead of teasing
with your
sights of birds,
of, you should pardon
(phallic)
green
cucumbers,
if you do it again
let us be the judge;
just publish
the
telephone numbers.

Shel Krakofsky
Komoka, Ont.

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Readers criticize film, Children Of A Lesser God, starring William Hurt as a teacher learning to speak the sign language of the deaf as taught him by hearing impaired actress Marlee Matlin.

LET FILM CREDIT CANUCKS!

Since I work with handicapped children, I was interested in Sheldon Kirshner's Oct. 30 review of *Children Of A Lesser God*, the film which deals with the teaching of deaf and hearing-impaired people.

I agree with Kirshner that this is a "touching, heartrending" film. I also believe that William Hurt deserves an Academy Award for his role as a teacher who learns sign language.

But why did the film not give credit to the New Brunswick school for the deaf where the film was actually shot?

Instead, we see the American stars and stripes clearly swaying supreme in a Canadian locale.

Sadly, we Canadians seem to be always left in the shadows!

Sandy Back
Montreal

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DEAF CAN'T ENJOY OWN FILM!

I felt that Sheldon Kirshner's review of the film about teaching the deaf, *Children Of A Lesser God*, presented the subject in a well-deserved positive light.

It is, however, unfortunate that the movie cannot be enjoyed by the deaf; no provisions were made for subtitles or a sign language interpreter.

While painstaking care ensured that all signing was voice interpreted for the hearing audience, the reverse courtesy was not extended to the deaf community. Their story, their stars, but, alas, the empathy used in the script, did not transmit itself into the theatre.

Carol Segal
Montreal

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BRAVO FOR PROF'S CHUTZPAH

Bravo to York University Prof. Sally Zerker for the speech she gave to the Beth Tikvah Sisterhood, which your Nov. 6 issue headed "Israel ultra-Orthodoxy 'return to medievalism,'" and subheaded "Should not be supported financially, prof. says."

Among other points, she said that ultra-Orthodox Jews exploit female labor in order to allow males to spend time in the *kollel;* that the ultra-Orthodox girl must stop her education early in life; that she is subject to an arranged marriage; and is not allowed to fulfil personal ambitions.

I also congratulate The CJN for having printed the article.

For far too long, there has been what is tantamount to a conspiracy of silence about some of the misdemeanors and *aveiris* of the ultra-Orthodox, both by rabbis and laymen, in Israel and the Diaspora.

I predict, with certainty, that Prof. Zerker will be subjected to much abuse, hate mail, and vilification for having the chutzpah to tell it like it is.

Her detractors will, I predict, castigate her for offending the sensibilities of the Orthodox.

What about the sensibilities of Conservative, Reform, and secular Jews? We don't count, you see, because we're not really authentic Jews. Only they are.

Sam Hoffman
Toronto

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SAGA OF YOLLECK FAMILY

Your recent article regarding the reunion of the Sadowski family in Massey, Ont. was of great interest to the writer and his family.

It brings back memories of a similar reunion by the Yolleck family who pioneered in the small western Ontario village of Brussels.

The patriarch of the family, Morris Yolleck, migrated to Brussels (between Wingham and Listowel) in 1889 from Pod-Kamin, Galicia. He married in 1906 Anna Ray Matwes, who stemmed from Lvov (Lemberg) and came to Canada via New York, passing through Ellis Island 20 years after the Statue of Liberty had been presented to New York City.

She met her husband on a visit to Toronto and, after marriage in 1906, settled with his new bride of 17 years of age in the village of Brussels.

He was well established in the junk business, as it was then known, which later became designated with some class as "secondary materials."

They prospered and raised five children (four boys and one girl), all born in Brussels between 1907 and 1919.

The eldest, Joseph, born in 1907, had a classic "bris" by a mohel who journeyed by train from Toronto in the winter week of December. All relatives and friends attended the circumcision ceremony with business acquaintances of Brussels. The Gentiles were amazed that the cute baby boy looked exactly as other babies born in the area.

In 1919, they moved to a large 14-room frame house on 14 acres at the edge of town and the children attended public school and high school in Listowel, as Brussels did not have the facilities at that time.

The family integrated well with the Gentile community and were accepted as good citizens. Morris Yolleck retired from business in Brussels in 1947 and passed on in 1952.

The village of Brussels celebrated its 100th birthday in 1972 with a gala 3-day affair. Invitations were sent to all former residents including the Yollecks, all five children with their families, to attend on a July 1 Dominion Day weekend.

The Yolleck family made a substantial financial contribution to the town's recreation centre built in 1976, and dedicated Nov. 17 of that year. They again attended, and a plaque in honor of Annie and Morris Yolleck was set to commemorate their donation and contribution to the community of over half a century.

Samuel Yolleck
Toronto

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KUDOS TO ROSEN

Thank you so much for Jeff Rosen's super Nov. 6 article on the Manic-Depressive Association of Metro Toronto headed "Shortage of funds hinder manic-depressive group."

The feedback from your readers is all positive and appreciative.

Rochelle Grafstein
Toronto

World-National

Community warned of unprecedented effort

Soviet Union said seeking to lure back emigres

By
JANICE ARNOLD

— MONTREAL —

The case of Arkady and Polina Berkut should be a warning to the Jewish community that the Soviet Union is making an unprecedented effort to lure back emigres, especially those who are vulnerable because of money or personal problems, according to the director of the YM-YWHA's Russian Jewish Department.

Fania Jivotovsky, a Soviet immigrant herself, said she believes the Soviets targeted Arkady Berkut as an ideal person to launch such a campaign. Soviet Consul Guennadi Kaznatcheev befriended Berkut, she said, and they frequently went bowling together and were guests at each other's homes.

It was a relationship the Berkuts, who participated in many of the Y's programs for Soviet immigrants, were open about, she said. The couple attended a Y program only three days before the press conference announcing their return, she said, and boasted about the fine apartment and other assistance they had been promised back in the Soviet Union.

Berkut was trained in the cinema and is a "frustrated actor," according to Jivotovsky. The Soviets could correctly see that he would not be uncomfortable in front of the TV cameras. He is also fluent in English and has a good knowledge of French.

Jivotovsky described Berkut as a "confused individual" who has many personal problems, not the least being a strained relationship with his father. The shock of losing a well paying job last spring and his failure to start his own business probably were the last straw, she said.

But only a few days before the announcement of their decision, she said, Berkut expressed uncertainty about whether he should go at this time or wait another year.

Nevertheless, the Berkuts case should not be blown out of proportion, she said. "There are 500 Soviet Jewish families here who are not leaving."

Jivotovsky added she has heard through the grapevine that seven other Soviet Jews in Montreal have applied to go back.

Berkut tells of promises

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Island. Since losing that job, he said he had been trying to open his own nursery school.

Berkut said he did not know what he would do in the Soviet Union, but said he is not worried. "I have been told the government will do a lot of things to help me and others returning in finding an apartment and a job. I have been given no guarantees, but there is no unemployment in the Soviet Union."

Berkut returned to JVS in May of that year and received further counseling. The young Soviet began a job as a janitor and eventually moved up to a management position. He returned to JVS after being laid off in April with an idea to start his own business.

"The tragedy of this story is that we were right on the threshold of helping him start a viable enterprise. A number of people were very interested and sources of funding were possible."

The phenomenon of Jews returning to the Soviet Union "does not interfere one iota with the Refusenik problem," said Barbara Stern, chairman of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry. "I can't look upon this as serious; it doesn't affect the basic issue."

Those Soviet Jews who went to North America when emigration was at a peak got out "relatively easy.... They took advantage of a movement of Jews who wanted to live as Jews. For those who went to North America, the Jewish issue was not their priority.

"The Soviets have signed international agreements guaranteeing the right of their citizens to leave their country and return to it," Stern said. "I hope they will extend the same right to the thousands who want to leave as they are now to those wanting to return."

Comments "unfair"

Allied Jewish Community Services executive director John Fishel said Berkut's comments on Jewish Vocational Service were unfair and inaccurate. Fishel said Berkut first came to JVS in February, 1981 and was advised to enrol in a French course and reconsider his ambition to continue in cinematography. He was referred to a number of jobs and began work in retail sales, which did not last, said Fishel.

No plans to upgrade Vienna representation

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said last week that Israel does not plan to upgrade its diplomatic representation in Austria. This apparently means that Israel will not name a replacement for Michael Elizur, the former ambassador in Vienna, who retired several months ago.

The Vienna embassy is presently headed by a charge d'affaires. A new ambassador would have to present his credentials to President Kurt Waldheim, whose Nazi past was exposed during the Austrian election campaign last summer.

Peres, replying to questions in the Knesset, said Israel's position toward Austria would depend in the long run on world reaction to Waldheim. He noted that U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz has refrained from meeting with Waldheim. But the Soviet foreign minister, Eduard Shevardnadze, has called on him.

According to Peres, Israel's diplomatic stance will not have any effect on Vienna's continued role as a transit point for Jews leaving the Soviet Union for Israel.

The Jewish Quiz

Questions:

1. On what days of the week does the first day of Rosh Hashanah NEVER fall?

2. Name the first Jew ever to win the Ontario Tory leadership.

3. Which two books in the Bible do not mention God's name?

Edmond Lipsitz

Answers:

1. Sunday, Wednesday and Friday.
2. Larry Grossman, elected on Nov. 16, 1985.
3. Song of Songs and Book of Esther.

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These questions and answers are from *6,400 Questions About Judaism and the Jewish People*, by EDMOND Y. LIPSITZ, published by JESL Products, Downsview, Ont. ($14.95). If you have your own quiz questions for future columns, write to Dr. Lipsitz, c/o The Canadian Jewish News, 562 Eglinton Ave. E., Suite 401, Toronto M4P 1P1.

The Name Game

There's a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years.

In a series of articles Mr. Catzman reports on his research. If you have any information relating to the origin and meaning of your surname, please pass it along to Fred M. Catzman, c/o The Canadian Jewish News, 562 Eglinton Ave. E., Toronto M4P 1P1.

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PAIKIN — KRONICK

This column is dedicated to the memory of two eminent Canadian Jews who died recently. Dr. Harry Paikin of Hamilton was a beloved physician and long time school trustee. His surname was matronymic, derived from Paike (little Paia) a familiar feminine given name. Another form was Peikes.

Gertrude Kronick, a community figure in her own right, was the widow of the late Samuel Kronick, who was an indefatigable organizer of the structure of tzedakah in the Toronto Jewish community. Kronick comes from the German town of Kronach.

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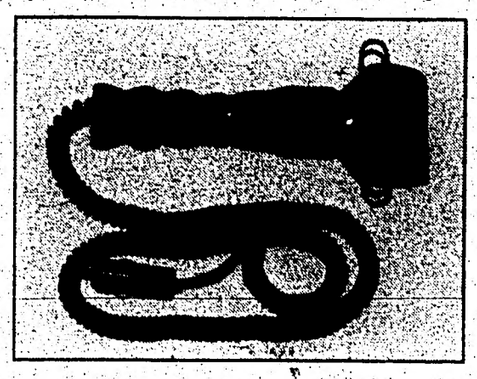
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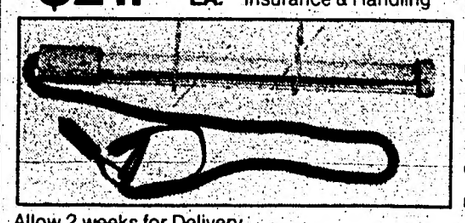
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Jews for Jesus head is convicted of trespassing

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO — The Canadian director of Jews for Jesus, Steve Cohen, warns that his conviction here recently on trespass charges has "broad, sweeping implications" for all groups wanting to freely express their beliefs.

Cohen, 37, was found guilty of trespassing at York University, where he allegedly handed out Jews for Jesus literature without the university's required permission. He was given a suspended sentence of three months and was placed on three months probation.

Canadian Jewish Congress and York University's Jewish Student Federation monitored Cohen's trial last month closely, as it went from a simple case of trespassing to a protracted debate on whether Jews for Jesus actively tries to proselytize Jews and whether the group's literature is offensive to Jews.

Cohen was arrested at York last April after he refused to leave the campus.

Beliefs not real issue

During the 3-day trial, his lawyer argued that Cohen, who is not a student at York, had the constitutional right to be at the university to hand out Jews for Jesus literature. Denying him that right, he said, was tantamount to breaching the freedom of expression and freedom of religion provisions of Canada's Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

Cohen's case was also based on the argument that York is a public place, funded by public money and is thus open for public debate. The university, he said, is "a marketplace for ideas."

Although Jews for Jesus' alleged attempts to convert Jews was not the main issue before the court, it was debated by Crown counsel Peter Jervis, who argued that the organization's pamphlets were intended to antagonize Jewish students and "provoke" emotional responses from them. Given that and the fact that Cohen did not have prior permission to be at York, police were justified in charging him, Jervis argued.

Cohen said the pamphlets, with titles such as "Jesus Made Me Kosher," "Kosher Pig," and "Goldilocks and the Three Bagels," were not meant to irk Jews but that many people took offence to them. Cohen admitted under questioning that on the day of his arrest, there was a commotion and "an emotionally charged atmosphere" at the spot he was distributing the literature between him and several Jewish students.

Under further questioning, Cohen, a self-described minister of his order, said Jews for Jesus "is an organization that helps Jews find Jesus and helps Christians understand Jews." He said the group's mission is to tell Jews and Gentiles alike "from a Jewish perspective" that "Jesus is the Messiah."

Cohen denied repeatedly his group is out to convert Jews specifically.

A York University official testified that Jews for Jesus tried to mislead university officials in applying to become a member of the school's religious community. The organization's attempt to join other on-campus religious groups was vigorously opposed by the Jewish Student Federation.

But both sides acknowledged that Cohen's religious beliefs were only marginally relevant to the case and that the real concern was whether Cohen had the right to come on the campus without the university's permission.

In the end, Provincial Court Judge Thomas Mercer said he could find no evidence that York is a public place.

York University, he ruled, "is the occupier of private property," and any outsider coming onto the campus must do so "by invitation only. It would be absurd to think anything else."

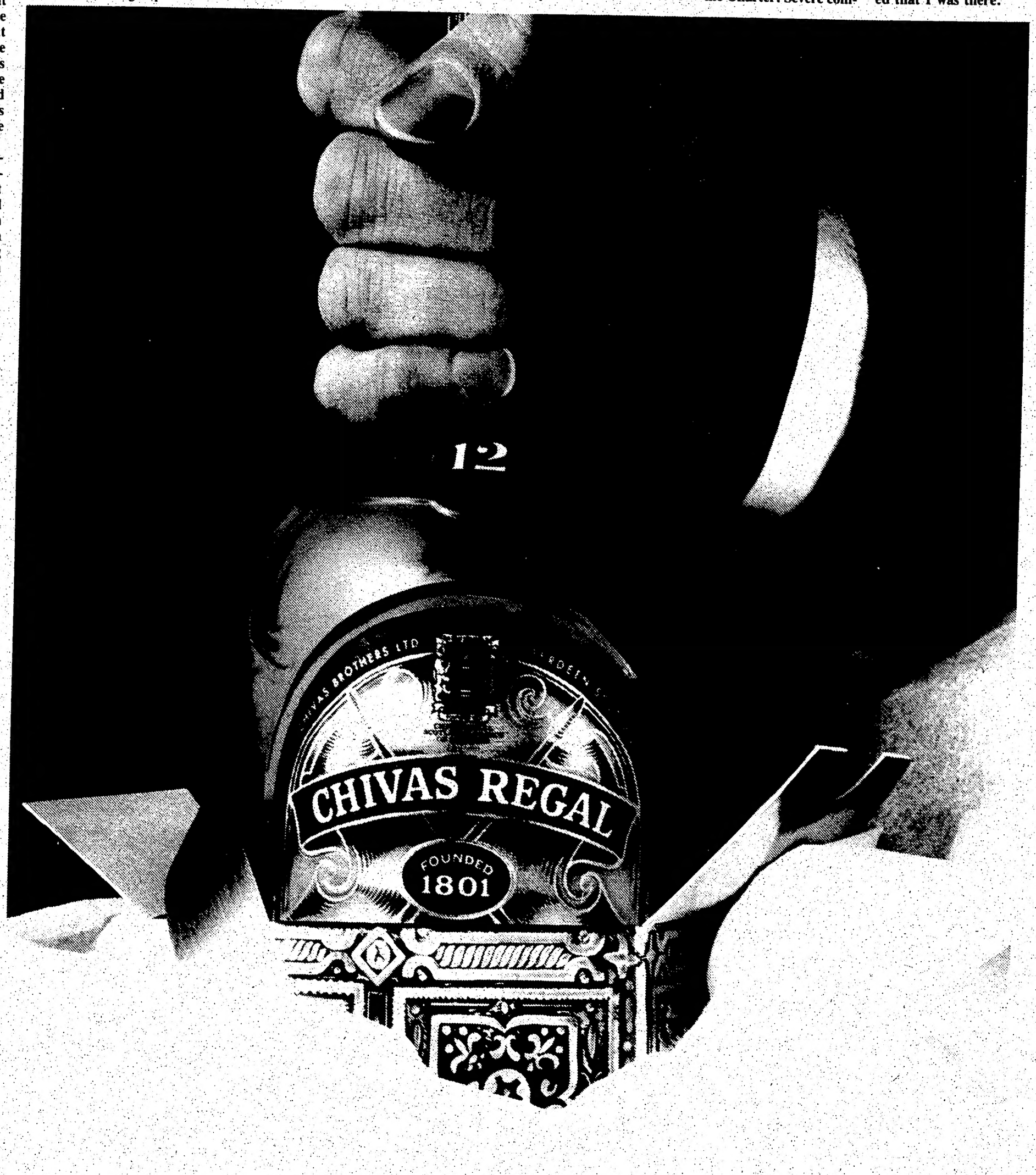
Mercer added that the Charter of Rights does not apply to the university under these circumstances. He based his decision on a past similar ruling.

Cohen expressed disappointment in the ruling and told The CJN he may consider an appeal after he consults his board of directors.

"This has broad, sweeping implications for everybody," Cohen said. "The principle is that the university does fall under the Charter. Severe complications can arise from that."

Having to get permission from the university before coming on the campus "constitutes prior restraint. You can have a police state before long."

Cohen said his beliefs should not have been a factor in the case. "If I were Jewish or Christian, nobody would have minded that I was there."



It's better to give than receive.
With certain possible exceptions.

Organizations and People

Ron D. Barbaro (right), speaking at dedication of a Chair in his name at the Hebrew University School of Veterinary Medicine. Also shown (from left): Prof. Ilan Chet, Dr. Ralph Halbert, Batia Pazy, wife of acting Hebrew University president Amnon Pazy, James K. Bartleman, Canadian ambassador to Israel and Ginetta Barbaro.

In honor of Ron D. Barbaro

HU dedicates a chair in veterinary medicine

JERUSALEM —

The Ron D. Barbaro Chair in Veterinary Medicine was dedicated at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem recently in the presence of 25 leaders of Toronto's Jewish and non-Jewish communities.

The Chair, the result of a cross-cultural fund raising campaign, was inaugurated last April at a dinner held in Barbaro's honor at the Four Seasons Hotel in Toronto.

Barbaro, president of Canadian operations for the Prudential Insurance Company of America and volunteer chairman of the Metropolitan Toronto Zoo, has long been active on behalf of Jewish and Israeli causes.

The mission, led by Jack I. Hauer, Toronto chapter president of Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University, and by Ralph Halbert, the Friends' chairman, traveled across Israel, and toured the Hebrew University's facilities. Hebrew University scholar and Israeli dignitaries briefed mission delegates on the country's military, political, and economic situation.

"We managed to fit over 2,000 years of history into six days," Barbaro said in an interview.

He said he was extremely impressed by Israel, and by the way Israelis have managed to deal with their country's security situation.

Will help research

He said he was also impressed by what he saw at the Hebrew University.

"You never get a second chance to get a first impression, and from your first impression you could tell it was world-class.

"When Hebrew University people give their best effort, things change dramatically. They make things happen," he said.

While at the university, Barbaro met with Prof. Israel Hod, the first incumbent of the Barbaro Chair.

"Israel has done some very interesting work in cancer research using sheep. He felt that now that this opportunity has been made available to him, he'll have more time to concentrate on his research.

"Who knows what can happen in five years from his research. If the Chair makes even half a percent of difference, that's a wonderful change," he said.

He said that as a Roman Catholic, he also found the mission's visit to Bethlehem — at which non-Jewish delegates took communion — "an unexpected high."

"At the manger, I realized — Rome has been central in my mind, but I realized that Rome wasn't really where it all happened. If this happened, it happened in Bethlehem. I couldn't understand why, in my lifetime, I'd never been solicited to go where it happened," he said.

Mission delegates included Martin I. Applebaum, Ron and Ginetta Barbaro, Abby Beker, Ira and Marilyn Bond, Edward Bronfman, Camilla Cornell, Mary Darrigo, Fred De Gasperis, Anita Del Medico, Norman Eckler, Dr. Charles Gold, Dr. Ralph Halbert, Jack I. Hauer, Paul and Sharon Lukash, George Meke, Paul Odette, Jack Rose, Lionel Waldman and Onega Zuliani.

Molotov's Jewish spouse

Soviet accepted wife's arrest

By JOE POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON —

Former Soviet prime minister and foreign minister Vyacheslav Molotov, who died in Moscow recently at age 96, agreed to the arrest of his Jewish wife and her internal exile for four years after World War II because of his legendary loyalty to the dictator Josef Stalin.

She was freed from a labor camp two days after Stalin died in March, 1953.

The dissident Soviet historian Roy Medvedev has written that Molotov attended the Politburo meeting that decided to arrest Polina Zhemchuzhina but did not defend her and abstained from the vote.

Medvedev quoted the former general secretary of the Communist Party in Israel, Shmuel Mikunis, as saying that in 1955 he asked Molotov how he could have acquiesced in the arrest. Molotov coldly replied, "because I am a member of the Politburo and I must obey discipline" and "I submitted to the Politburo which decided that my wife must be put away."

Molotov and Zhemchuzhina were married in 1920. She was minister of fisheries, deputy commissar for food production and headed the perfume and cosmetics industry. In the latter capacity she visited the United States for ideas. During World War II, she was active in Jewish organizations supporting the Soviet forces against the Nazis.

After Stalin organized a purge in 1949 of "rootless cosmopolitans," meaning Jews, Zhemchuzhina was singled out because of her war work with Jews and because relatives had emigrated to Palestine. She reportedly also had a brother in Connecticut.

Another reason was her friendship with Golda Meir, Israel's first ambassador to the Soviet Union. Even while his wife was in the labor camp, Molotov maintained his loyalty to Stalin.

According to Nikita Khrushchev's memoirs, her return to Moscow was arranged by Lavrenti Beria, the security police chief who later was shot in his aborted effort to become Stalin's successor. "Molotov was overjoyed that she was still alive and threw himself into her arms," Khrushchev wrote.

The couple had a daughter, Svetlana. He lived his last years in Zhukovka, a Moscow suburb, with her and her husband Aleksei Nikonov.

Molotov was buried alongside his wife, who died in 1970, at Novodevichy cemetery. The Molotov plot is near the grave of Stalin's wife, Nadezha Alliluyeva. The private burial, attended by about 200 persons, was arranged by relatives.

Novodevichy is the Soviet Unions' most prestigious burial place nxt to the kremlin wall behind Lenin's tomb in Red Square.

Yacht damage probed

TORONTO —

A recent fire at the largely Jewish Toronto Island Yacht Club caused an estimated $1.7 million in damage and its origins are still under investigation.

The blaze broke out in the early morning of Nov. 20, destroying a maintenance shed and 10 luxury boats, which were mounted on wooden cradles for the winter.

As well, four yachts may have been damaged beyond repair, fire investigators said.

Because of the club's remote location on Mugg's Island, about 1½ miles off Queen's Quay, firefighters had difficulty in reaching and extinguishing the blaze, especially in the cold and snowfall.

Fire trucks could not be brought to the club, so a fire boat was used.

Club manager Eugene Hoyck said all the boats were insured.

Human rights protest at Queen's Park Dec. 10

TORONTO —

On Dec. 10, Queen's Park will be transformed into Red Square.

On that day, which has been designated International Human Rights Day around the world, dignitaries will gather at Queen's Park to read a roll call of the names of 3,000 Refuseniks.

Simultaneous gatherings will be held in cities across Canada, the U.S. and Israel.

"Red Square" will feature a large red patch of cloth, symbolizing the Soviet Union and its persecution of Jews.

The program will get under way in the morning, with various religious, political and community representatives reading the names of the Refuseniks.

At 1:30 p.m., a special dedication ceremony will take place. The names of 140 longtern Refuseniks (those waiting for at least 13 years) as well as those of past and present Prisoners of Conscience will be read aloud. Each name will be represented by a flower, to be dedicated by Ontario MPPs. The flowers will then be sent to the Soviet embassy in Ottawa.

Expected to take part are members of the Toronto Interfaith Task Force on Soviet Jewry, Canadian Jewish Congress's Soviet Jewry Committee, leaders of the Ontario Legislature Committee for Soviet Jewry and various MPPs.

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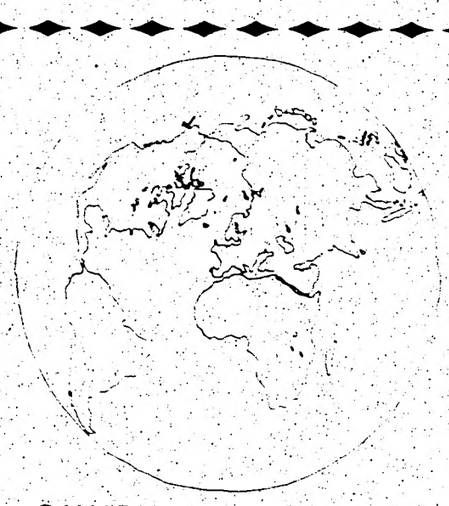

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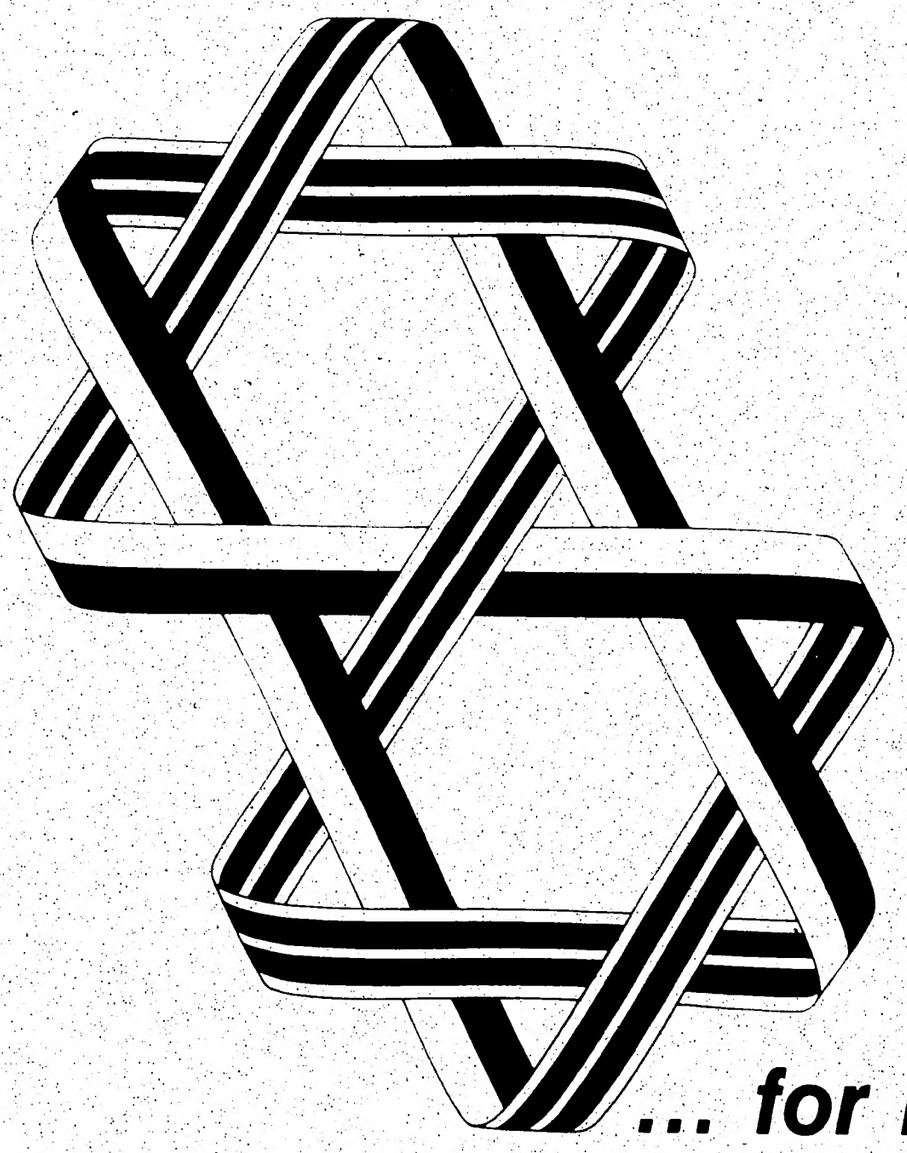

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Organizations and People

What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

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Thursday, Nov. 27

SHOLEM ALEICHEM

From Thursday, Nov. 27, the opening of Sholem Aleichem (in English) at the Leah Posluns Theatre, until Saturday, Dec. 20. **Nehemiah Persoff** will entertain audiences in the 1-man show he created out of folk tales by **Sholem Aleichem**, one of the greatest Yiddish writers of modern times.

For tickets call 630-6752 or any BASS outlet.

EXHIBITION OF JUDAICA

North York **Mayor Mel Lastman** will open an exhibition of Judaica from the collection of **John and Molly Pollock** at the Osher Asker Schmidt Museum of Toronto Jewish Congress at a reception (invitation only) on Thursday, Nov. 27.

The exhibition will be on view from Dec. 1-April 30 at the museum which is located in the Lipa Green Building, 4th floor, 4600 Bathurst St. Museum hours are Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

IDF'S FIRST WOMAN GENERAL

The Association for Welfare of the Soldiers of Israel is organizing a Young Leadership Group with the aim of attracting a nucleus of people under 40 to work for the wellbeing of the soldiers of the Israel Defence Forces-Zahal.

The first event will be a lecture by **Amira Dotan**, the IDF's first woman general, to be held Thursday, Nov. 27, at 8 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue.

A ski day, other social events and a trip to Israel in October 1987 are planned. For more information, call **Gil Kezwer** at 783-3053 or **Cynthia Rosenthal** at 485-1510.

HOLOCAUST EDUCATION MONTH

Holocaust Education Month events on Thursday, Nov. 27:

Stephen Brand, producer and writer of the film Kaddish, and **John Katz**, professor of film at York University, will comment on the film at 7.30 p.m. at Harbourfront, York Quay Terminal.

Alien, a review of three German authors on the theme of feeling like an alien in one's own country, by **Prof. Michael Eben**, department of humanities, York University, at 10 a.m. at Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living, 1003 Steeles Ave. W.

Saturday, Nov. 29

GRAND AUCTION

On Saturday, Nov. 29, Forestdale Heights Lodge B'nai B'rith, is holding its annual Grand Auction Night at the Banbury Community Centre, 120 Banbury Rd., Willowdale. Preview is at 7.30 p.m. with the auction at 8.30.

Admission of $3 per person includes coffee, pastries and door prizes. There will be a cash bar.

For tickets and additional information, call **John Komlos** at 881-4833 or **Rob Yurman** at 587-6840 (office) or 638-2534 (home).

SEUDA SHLISHIT

The Narayever Congregation is hosting a seuda shlishit (3rd meal of the Sabbath) on Saturday, Nov. 29, beginning at 4 p.m. with mincha, refreshments, Torah study and havdalah. **Rabbi David Weiss** will lead the informal discussion.

The Narayever is located at 187-189 Brunswick Ave. (at Harbord). Everyone is welcome. For more information, call **Nora Gold** at 920-6904.

WOMEN TODAY IN THE IDF

Beth Tzedec Synagogue is hosting **Brigadier-General Amira Dotan**, first woman general in the Israel Defence Forces, at Shabbat morning services, Saturday, Nov. 29. She will address the congregation on The Position of Women Today in the IDF.

The public is welcome to attend the services.

BOWLING LEAGUE

Join Club Netanya, the new co-ed 10-pin bowling league for singles and couples. The group meets every other Saturday evening at 9.30.

You are invited to the group's last open house on Saturday, Nov. 29, at Playtime Bowl, 33 Samor Rd. (2 blocks north of Lawrence, west off Dufferin). If you have not already registered, meet the executive in the party room at 9 p.m. Bowling starts at 9.30.

For registration and information, call **Howard** or **Harvey** at 636-9468 from 5-8 p.m. or **Stan** at 638-0747 evenings or Playtime Bowl at 787-7421.

Sunday, Nov. 30

SUNDAY AFTERNOON SERIES

Congregation Habonim, 12 Holloman Rd., invites the public to another of its Sunday afternoon series on Nov. 30 at 2.30 p.m. **Dr. Henry Fenigstein**, psychiatrist, will speak on Sex and Love in Human Relationships.

A discussion period will follow and refreshments will be served. Admission is free.

TORATHON

Shaareh Haim Synagogue of Richmond Hill is holding its first annual Torathon, an evening of adult education on Sunday, Nov. 30, at the M.L. McConaghy Centre, 10100 Yonge St. (just north of Major Mackenzie Dr.).

The Torathon, in celebration of Jewish Book Month, begins with registration at 7 p.m. followed by three hours of lectures and seminars with a choice of three speakers in each hour. Speakers include: **Rabbi Lawrence Englander, Prof. Robert Brym, Rachel Ohayon, Shirley Kumove, Rabbi Michael Stroh, Renee Goorvich, Frieda Forman, Graham Bath** and **Rabbi Lawrence Troster**.

Books and Chanukah gifts will be sold by Israel's the Judaica Centre. Registration is $3 per person. Refreshments will be provided. For further information, call 737-3080.

RABBI ROSENBERG TO SPEAK

At the Holy Blossom Temple Brotherhood breakfast meeting on Sunday, Nov. 30, at 9.30 a.m. **Rabbi Stuart E. Rosenberg** will speak about his new book The Christian Problem, which probes the Jewish foundation upon which Christianity rests.

Everyone is welcome.

CRAFT AND GIFT SALE

B'nai B'rith Women, Markham-Unionville Chapter, is holding a craft and gift sale on Sunday, Nov. 30, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Crosby Memorial Community Centre (Carlton and Main St., Unionville).

Admission is $1. There will be hourly door prizes.

AREN'T WE ALL JEWS?

Aren't We All Jews?, a commentary by an Orthodox rabbi on the growing problems between Orthodox and non-Orthodox members of the Jewish community, is the topic of the Adath Israel Brotherhood breakfast meeting on Sunday, Nov. 30. Guest speaker will be **Rabbi Eliot Feldman** of Kehillat Sharrei Torah of Toronto (on Bayview). Discussion will follow.

Services are at 9 a.m., breakfast and program at 9.30.

RELIEF OF STRESS

Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue's Entertainment and Cultural Connection presents **Charlotte Levinson**, a nurse, demonstrating a hands-on approach to Relief of Stress, Deep relaxation and Freer Motion on Sunday, Nov. 30, at 8 p.m. at the synagogue Sisterhood Hall.

Everyone is welcome. Admission for members is free, for guests it is $2. Coordinators are **Sandra and Jerry Genesove**.

A CHILDREN'S TRIBUTE

The Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Brotherhood breakfast meeting on Sunday, Nov. 30, will feature **Rabbi Joseph Kelman**, his brothers **Rabbi Abraham Kelman**, formerly of Bais Yehuda in Toronto, and **Rabbi Wolfe Kelman**, executive vice-president of the Rabbinical Assembly, and his two sisters, **Celia Silber** of Brooklyn, NY, and **Claire Goldstein** of Binghamton, NY., in a tribute to their late father **Rabbi Tzvi Yehuda Kelman** on the 50th anniversary of his death. The time is 10 a.m. at the synagogue, 100 Elder St. Everyone is welcome.

As an added note, Rabbi Wolfe Kelman will deliver the Shabbat morning sermon on Nov. 29.

POLITICS OF TODAY

Alderman Ron Kanter will be speaking on Politics of Today at the Beth Sholom Brotherhood Tefillin and Breakfast Club meeting on Sunday, Nov. 30.

Services are at 9.30 a.m., breakfast at 10 and the speaker at 10.30. Everyone is welcome.

BETH TORAH BROTHERHOOD

Beth Torah Brotherhood will be having a breakfast meeting on Sunday, Nov. 30, at 9.30 a.m. at the synagogue, 47 Glenbrook Ave. Guest speaker **Dr. Ricky Miller**, chief psychologist at Scarborough Grace General Hospital, will discuss Psychology Strategies for Coping with Pain. Everyone is welcome.

ITCHE GOLDBERG TO SPEAK

Itche Goldberg, prominent Yiddish writer, longtime professor of Yiddish language and literature at Queens College of New York City University, will be guest speaker at the monthly meeting of the Yiddishe Kultur Geselshaft on Sunday, Nov. 30, at 8.30 p.m. at the Workmen's Circle Hall, 471 Lawrence Ave. W. His topic will be Mendele Mokher Sforim, "Grandfather" of Modern Yiddish Literature, marking the 150th anniversary of the birth of the great Yiddish classical writer.

Itche Goldberg

Monday, Dec. 1

SKILL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

The Adult Education Institute of the Toronto Jewish Cultural Council of Toronto Jewish Congress invites you to a skill development workshop for program leaders and planners, entitled Group Dynamics-A Jewish Perspective. The guest leader is social worker **Carol Seidman**.

The date is Monday, Dec. 1, from 7.15-10 p.m. at the Lipa Green Building, 4th floor, 4600 Bathurst St. Registration fee is $5. For information, call 635-2883, ext. 151.

NFJA MEETING

On Monday, Dec. 1, New Fraternal Jewish Association presents **Itche Goldberg**, professor of Yiddish language and literature, Queen's College, New York, who will lecture (in English) on I.L. Peretz, father of modern Jewish literature.

The time is 8.30 p.m. at the centre, 120 Overbrook Pl. Suite 107. The public is invited.

NA'AMAT PIONEER WOMEN

Na'amat Pioneer Women's newest Richmond Hill-Oakridges group invites all interested young women to attend the next meeting on Monday, Dec. 1, at 8 p.m. at 86 Brickstone Circle, Thornhill.

Enjoy a most informative program on color analysis. For information, call 636-5425 days or 764-0565 evenings.

TAKE A BREAK FROM THE KIDS

At the Monday, Dec. 1, session of Take a Break From the Kids, **Rachel Olensky** will speak on Women in Lubavitch Movement. It takes place from 9.30-11.30 a.m. at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St.

For more information, call **Judith Berg** at 782-8007.

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ROTH HONORED

At a recent testimonial dinner honoring Ron Roth for his work on behalf of State of Israel Bonds (from left) are: guest speaker Prof. Gerald Meister; Alex Grossman, State of Israel Bonds general chairman; honoree Ron Roth and his wife Sandra, and Jack Steinmetz, Raoul Wallenberg Yorkdale Lodge, B'ani B'rith, chairman. [Marie-Josee Crete photo]

GRADUATION PARTY

Edward Bronfman, (right) national vice-president of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University, chats with three members of the Friends Toronto New Leadership Division, (from left) Mark Buck, Jeff Wilson and Mark Diamond at a planning meeting for the "First Annual Graduation Party" taking place Jan. 24 at Sutton Place. Proceeds will help scholarships for needy students at Hebrew University. [Graphic Artists photo]

CHANUKAH CANDLE MAILING

The Association for the Soldiers of Israel is now gearing up for its annual Chanukah candle mailing to the Jewish community across Ontario, asking that the shamus candle be lit with a prayer for peace. Chanukah campaign chairman Fira Rotenberg (centre) is flanked by Carol Baratz (left), Chanukah campaign co-chairman, and Gil Kezwer, administrative coordinator.

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Tuesday, Dec. 2

SHAAREI TEFILLAH SERIES

Shaarei Tefillah Congregation's Adult Education Institute of Developing Jewish Thought with **Rabbi Moshe Stern** continues on Tuesday, Dec. 2, with The History of Halacha: How Did Halacha Develop? Can It Be Changed? Lecture takes place at 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 3600 Bathurst St.

On Tuesday mornings at 10, Rabbi Stern conducts a special class for women dealing with current topics of interest.

BETH TIKVAH SISTERHOOD

The topic of Beth Tikvah Sisterhood's general meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 2, is Will the Real Jewish Mother Please Stand Up with guest speaker **Selma Sage**. This deals with the evolving role of Jewish women.

The time is 8.15 p.m. at the synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. Refreshments will be served and everyone is welcome.

ISRAEL'S ECONOMY

Israel's Economy - Comedy or Tragedy is the theme of the Tuesday, Dec. 2, meeting at Tzavta Kibbutz Centre, 1111 Finch Ave. W., Suite 158. Hebrew newspapers and magazines will be available and current Israeli cultural/public affairs/news videos will be shown from 7.30-8 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

The program is presented by Brit Ivrit Olamit and Moadon Tzavta. For information, call **Yigal Gilboa** at 736-1339.

MICROWAVE COOKING

On Tuesday, Dec. 2, Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Sisterhood invites you to a microwave cooking demonstration using microwave-safe Tupperware products. All recipes come from the new Enjoy cookbook. Come and bring friends. The Tupperware and cookbooks will make ideal Chanukah gifts.

It all takes place at the synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd., at 8 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Admission is $2 members, $3 non-members.

INTERMARRIAGE ENQUIRY

The third and final session of the Intermarriage Enquiry program, presented by the adult education committee of Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, takes place Tuesday, Dec. 2, at 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

This program was designed to ask what Jewish organizations feel about intermarriage and what they are doing about it.

Refreshments will be served. Admission is free and the public is invited.

CANADIAN ISRAELI CLUB

Aluma, the Canadian Israeli Club, meets on Tuesday, Dec. 2, at 7.30 p.m. at the Wagman Centre Fireside Lounge, 55 Ameer Ave. Program features a film of the 1985 Chassidic Music Festival.

For information, call **Ephraim Dloomy** at 449-7836 or **Aharon Dahary** at 226-9208.

Wednesday, Dec. 3

EMUNAH MEMBERSHIP EVENING

Emunah Women will be hosting a membership evening on Wednesday, Dec. 3, at 8 p.m. at which **Julia Koschitzky** will discuss the issue of commitment. There will also be a singalong led by vocalist **Linda Segal**.

Paid-up members will be eligible for a draw. New members are welcome. For further information, call 635-9847 or 633-6352.

THE MIDDLE EAST

Current Trends and Prospects in the Middle East, an authoritative review of current developments in international relations, will be the subject of a lecture by **Yosef Lapid** of Carleton University in Ottawa on Wednesday, Dec. 3, at 8 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

Lecture is sponsored by Canadian Jewish Congress and Canadian Zionist Federation. Everyone is welcome and there is no admission charge.

IS THERE AN AFTERLIFE?

The Benjamin Institute for Community Education and Referral series continues on Wednesday, Dec. 3, with Does Judaism Believe in an Afterlife?: A Spiritual View of Bereavement with **Simcha Paull**, director of the institute.

Lecture takes place at the Toronto Zionist Council, Haifa Room, 788 Marlee Ave., from 8-10 p.m., followed by discussion and refreshments.

KREATIVE KIDS PRESCHOOL

Kreative Kids Preschool is having an open house on Wednesday, Dec. 3, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at both the Dufferin-Hwy 7 and the Yonge-Davisville locations and registrations for September, 1987 will be accepted. Curriculum includes French and Hebrew, Apple II C computer, learning centres and theme approach.

For information for Dufferin-Hwy 7 call 731-7386, for Yonge-Davisville call 486-7009.

STATUS OF VOLUNTEERISM

Panelists **Lily Munro**, Ontario minister of citizenship and culture, **Rabbi Deborah Brin** of Temple Darchei Noam, and **Anne Golden**, campaign director, United Way of Greater Toronto, will be discussing The Current Status of Volunteerism at a meeting sponsored by the Business and Professional Women's Network of United Jewish Appeal.

It takes place on Wednesday, Dec. 3, at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St. Registration is at 7.15 p.m., program at 7.30. A reception will follow. Cost is $10 per person. RSVP by calling 635-2883, ext. 172.

SHOAH

Beth Tzedec Men's Club and Sisterhood are presenting a 16-mm version of the film Shoah at the synagogue. Part 1 is set for Wednesday, Dec. 3, and Part 2 for Wednesday, Dec. 10. Both showings are at 7 p.m.

Tickets are $10 for each part or $15 for the entire series (2 evenings). Tickets are available at the synagogue office, 781-3511. Reserve now!

MANIC-DEPRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

The next meeting of the Manic-Depressive Association of Metropolitan Toronto is Wednesday, Dec. 3, at 7.30 p.m. at the First Unitarian Church, 175 St. Clair Ave. W. Guest speaker **Dr. Alan Berkhol** of Wellesley Hospital will talk on Light Therapy: Biological Rhythms.

There will also be a bake sale. For information, call 486-9046.

A NEW AGENDA FOR SENIORS?

The Ontario Coalition for Nursing Home Reform (OCNHR) and the Coalition for Senior Citizens Organizations (OCSCO) are sponsoring a public forum at St. Lawrence Centre, 27 Front St. E., on Wednesday, Dec. 3, from 2-4 p.m. This forum will speak to the New Agenda - Health and Social Service Strategies for Ontario's seniors.

The purpose of the forum is to bring this document and the issues it raises to the senior citizens of the province and to encourage their knowledge and participation in issues that directly affect them. Admission is free.

Thursday, Dec. 4

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP NIGHT

Bathurst Heights-Executive Lodge is holding its annual Scholarship Night on Thursday, Dec. 4, at 7.30 p.m. at Adath Israel Synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave.

Scholarship chairman **Morris Baker**, who initiated this program 27 years ago, will once again be in charge of the proceedings. Twenty-two scholarships will be awarded — 11 to schools in North York and 11 divided between Ezra Kadima and She'arim Hebrew Day Schools.

In addition to the award winners, their families, teachers and principals of their schools, all former lodge members and their wives are welcome to attend.

BETH TZEDEC MUSEUM

On Thursday, Dec. 4, at 8 p.m. the Beth Tzedec Museum is opening an exhibition of original glass sculpture, engraved blocks and vases, illustrating scenes from the Bible.

These items are on loan to the museum from **Joseph Markovic**, a Toronto importer of crystal and glass for the last 30 years, who personally commissioned them from the finest artists in Czechoslovakia. The collection was previously exhibited at Ashley's China, First Canadian Place and partly at the Royal Ontario Museum.

The exhibition will be on view at Beth Tzedec Museum until Feb. 4. Museum hours are Sunday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Monday and Wednesday, noon to 6 p.m., and Saturday, noon to 1 p.m.

And What Else Is New . . .

BREAKFAST WORKSHOP

The Toronto Association of Professionals in Jewish Communal Service will hold a breakfast meeting and workshop on Tuesday, Dec. 9, in Room 421 of the Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St. Breakfast will begin at 7.45 a.m. followed by the workshop at 8.15.

Dorothy Reitman, president of Canadian Jewish Congress, will lead a discussion on How Should Professionals Involve Their Agencies in Global Issues?, including such issues as refugees, world hunger, poverty and nuclear disarmament.

For information and reservations, call **Mona Brown** at 889-2662.

KOFFLER GALLERY

The Koffler Gallery School of Visual Art announces that **Dennis Cliff**, well-known artist and art instructor, will be teaching advanced drawing during the absence of the regular instructor, **Sue Ericsson**, who will be on a 1-year sabbatical in Australia.

The course will feature figure drawing and some still life. Registration begins Dec. 1.

JSF EVENTS

The Jewish Student Federation at York University, together with the Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, is sponsoring a lecture entitled Hope for the Messiah: Christian-Jewish Dialogue on Thursday, Nov. 27, at 4 p.m. at Stedman Lecture Hall D at York U. campus. Speakers will be **Rabbi Phillip Rosensweig** of Kitchener and **Clark Pinnock** of McMaster Divinity College.

A Shabbat dinner, arranged by JSF and Jewish Students Union of the University of Toronto, is set for Friday, Nov. 28, at 6 p.m. at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd. The charge is $7 per person. It includes a program on cults featuring **Jeff Freedman**.

For information, call JSF at 736-5178.

ASSOCIATED BOOK FAIR

The Associated Hebrew Schools 3rd annual book fair, with a wide selection of science fiction, mysteries, joke and riddle books, poetry, fables, fairy tales, French books and a special Judaic section, is open Nov. 25-28 from 9 a.m. to noon and 12.30-3.30 p.m. at the branch at 6100 Leslie St.

Proceeds from the fair will be used to buy more books for the school library.

GRANDPARENTS TAKE NOTE

A support group is being formed for grandparents who are denied access to their grandchildren. If you are interested, contact **Abraham Silver** at 656-5408.

MIAMI TRIP

There are still a few spaces available for the Suntime Seniors 55 Plus trip to the Marco Polo Hotel in Miami Jan 8-Feb. 6. It includes air fare, hotel, full cancelation medical insurance, floor show plus many more extras.

For information, call **Rita** at 665-1768 or 636-9204.

FAMILY WINTER VACATION

Here's a chance to ski or hike and enjoy winter. From Dec. 21-28, the Jewish Camp Council is offering cross-country ski packages at Maple Lake Resort and Conference Centre near Parry Sound.

Packages include accommodation, sauna, movies-video, full American plan (food services under supervision of Canadian Jewish Congress) cross-country ski classes and use of all trails, tobogganing, snowshoeing and a wide variety of outdoor and indoor activities. Evening babysitting will be available.

Take advantage of one of two packages offered, or make up your own. Call the Jewish Camp Council at 964-8842 for further information.

ONTARIO HUMANE SOCIETY

The auxiliary of the North York branch of the Ontario Humane Society is having its annual new gift and toy sale at the Thrift Shop, 300 Wilson Ave., on Nov. 29, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Proceeds will be used to care for animals at the Animal Shelter in North York.

SCHOOL FAIRS

Bayview Glen Public School, 42 Limcombe Dr. (off Laureleaf), invites you to the Fun Fair Festival, a bake and craft show pre-Chanukah sale, on Dec. 6, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Ancaster Community School, 44 Ancaster Rd. (north of Wilson, west off Dufferin) is holding a jumble sale geared to the youngsters on Dec. 6 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be crafts, a cartoonist, and food and drinks will be available. Proceeds will go to student programs.

FIVE POTTERS

Bailey Leslie, Marion Lewis, Mayta Markson, Dorothy Midanik and **Annette Zakuta** have been associated as Five Potters since 1957. Their work has been represented in major exhibitions across Canada, in the U.S., Europe and Japan.

They are having an open house and sale at their studio, 131A Pears Ave., on Nov. 29 and 30 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

SHAAREI-BETH EL CONGREGATION

Shaarei-Beth El Congregation in Oakville is holding an all-day Shabbaton on Saturday, Dec. 6. It will begin with services at 9 a.m. followed by study and discussion sessions with a break for lunch and a social hour, concluding at 5 p.m. with a havdalah service. Cost is $5 per person.

To register, call **Cheryl** at the synagogue of-

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CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

The Association for the Soldiers of Israel presents a certificate to the Stopnitzer Auxiliary in appreciation of continued support for Israel Defence Forces soldiers. From left are: Irving Matlow, ASI Toronto chairman; Rose Feintuch, secretary; Sylvia Mahler, vice-president; Gertie Markowitz, president; Rebecca Farbiasz, treasurer, and Gordon Mendly, ASI chairman for organizations.

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fice at 849-6000 between 9 a.m. to noon, Monday to Friday.

ISRAEL EXPERIENCE 87

The Israel Youth Program Centre is the centre for students interested in experiencing a summer in Israel. These trips include hiking, touring and living on a kibbutz.

The centre has sent hundreds of students to Israel every year. If you are interested in participating this summer, contact the centre at 1000 Finch Ave. W., Suite 117, Downsview, Ont., M3J 2E7, or phone 665-7733.

PARENTS OF MIXED-MARRIED

The Parents of Mixed-Married Couples Discussion Group is meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 9, at 8 p.m. in the Holy Blossom Temple library, 1950 Bathurst St. This is an opportunity for parents whose children have married (or are dating) non-Jews, to come together to discuss common concerns and perspectives.

If you have any questions or would like more information, call **Sandy Wise**, coordinator of the temple's department of Jewish living, at 789-3291.

CAMP RAMAH PRESENTATIONS

Several Camp Ramah 1987 slide show and information sessions have been arranged for this coming week: Thursday, Nov. 27, at 5.30 p.m. at Beth Tzedec youth chapel, 1700 Bathurst St.; Saturday, Nov. 29, at 5.45 p.m. at Adath Israel Synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave.; Sunday, Nov. 30, at 10.15 and 11 a.m. at Beth Jacob Synagogue, 161 Stirling Ave., S., Kitchener, and Monday, Dec. 1, at 8 p.m. at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave.

For information, call the camp office at 789-2193.

NEW YEARS DANCE

Lodzer Congregation invites you to the annual New Years dance taking place at the synagogue. Music will be provided by **Bill Berle** and his orchestra. There will also be a floor show and entertainment.

The deadline for tickets is Nov. 28 and the cost is $20 per person including refreshments. To purchase tickets, send your check to Lodzer Congregation, 12 Heaton St., Downsview, Ont., M3H 4Y6. To reserve a table, call 787-7830 or 636-6665.

INTER-ORGANIZATIONAL QUIZ

What Should a Well-Informed Jew in the Diaspora Know About Israel? This will be the criteria for questions in an Inter-Organizational Quiz sponsored by the Canadian Zionist Federation, Central Region.

The competition provides an ideal way to learn about Israel in an entertaining, sociable and positive way. It is open to any bona fide Jewish organization — schools, synagogues, brotherhoods and sisterhoods, youth groups, social groups, Zionist organizations and such. For further information and entrance forms, contact **Monty Robins** at 665-7935.

SHABBAT STUDY LUNCHEON

Beth Tzedec Congregation's Shabbat study luncheon takes place on Dec. 6 following services. The guest speaker is **Wendy Posluns** who will be discussing her recent visit to the Soviet Union.

Lunch is $5.75 adults, $3.50 children under 12. Reservations (paid) should be made no later than Wednesday, Dec. 3. Unpaid reservations cannot be accommodated.

HONORING RABBI GOODMAN

Shaarei Zion Associated Hebrew Congregation is having an instalation dinner honoring the new rabbi, **Joshua Goodman**, formerly of Utica, NY., on Sunday, Dec. 7, at 6.30 p.m. at Marky's Restaurant banquet hall, 280 Wilson Ave.

Guest speakers will include **Rabbi Irwin Witty**, executive director, Jewish Board of Education, and **Rabbi Gedalia Dov Schwartz**, Av Bet Din of Chicago and father-in-law of Rabbi Goodman.

Charge is $30 per person. Reserve by calling **Jonas Frisch** at 223-8897 evenings.

PRE-CHANUKAH BOOK SALE

If you are looking for books as gifts or for yourself at slashed prices, be sure to stop by at the Jewish Book Fair gigantic inventory pre-Chanukah book sale on Sunday, Dec. 7, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Jewish Community Centre, 4588 Bathurst St.

You'll find lots of bargains in books for children and books on art, Judaica, cooking and fiction.

DRILDZER SONS & DAUGHTERS

A social group consisting of sons and daughters of members of the Drildzer Young Men's Society is being organized. If you are interested in becoming a member, contact **Greta Silverman** at 889-6120 before Dec. 31.

CANTORIAL CONCERT

Some of the world's greatest performers of Jewish music will take part in the Toronto Council of Hazzanim's Cantorial Concert on Sunday, Dec. 7. The concert, in association with the Aid to Disabled Veterans of Israel (Canada)-Beit Halochem, will be held at 8 p.m. at Adath Israel Synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave.

Proceeds will go to the Toronto Cantorial Trust Fund and Beit Halochem, a series of rehabilitation centres built and maintained for the benefit of the 35,000 disabled veterans and their families.

Featured with synagogue choirs and instrumental ensemble will be Toronto **Cantors David Bagley, Louis Danto, A. Eliezer Kirshblum, Paul Kowarsky, Benjamin Maissner, Hesh Mayersdorf and Ephraim Sapir**. They will be accompanied by **Cantor Daniel Gildar** of Philadelphia.

For tickets and information, call Adath Israel at 635-5340.

BBYO DANCE IN HAMILTON

BBYO (B'nai B'rith Youth Organization) Chapters Phoenix and Genesis are holding a dance in Hamilton on Saturday, Dec. 6, from 7.30-11.30 p.m.

All Toronto BBYO chapters are invited. A bus will leave the BBYO House, 15 Hove St., in Toronto to take you to the Hamilton Jewish Community Centre where the dance is being held. This is an opportunity to meet teens from Kingston, London and Hamilton.

For information, call **Miriam Pilc** at the Toronto BBYO office at 635-9411.

JEP-OR SOMAYACH CLASSES

Jewish Education Program (JEP)-Or Somayach Tanenbaum Centre is holding Monday evening classes through to Dec. 15. The 8 p.m. class deals with The Formation of the Chosen People with **Rabbi David Saperman**. The class at 9.10 p.m. focuses on The Desslerian Approach to Interpersonal Relationships with **Rabbi Shlomo Mandel**.

The Thursday evening classes from 8.30-10 feature Love and Marriage and the Design of the Universe with **Rabbi Mandel** on Nov. 27; The Coming of the Messiah: A Real United Nations with **Rabbi Saperman** on Dec. 4, and The Evolution of Halacha with Rabbi Mandel on Dec. 11.

All classes are held at the centre, 2939 Bathurst St. (corner Shelbourne). For information, call 785-5899.

CHANUKAH BALL

On Saturday, Dec. 6, at 8 p.m. B'nai Shalom North Congregation is presenting its third annual Chanukah Ball at the Garnet Williams Community Centre, 501 Clark Ave. E., Thornhill.

This festive evening includes live musical entertainment, buffet dinner and door prize draw. Admission is $25 per person. For tickets call 731-2797.

for seniors

Bloor JCC, 750 Spadina Ave., is the place to be for seniors. Every Tuesday at 1 p.m. it's **Coffee House 60**. Join the group for new friends, refreshments and lively conversation. Always relaxing, always interesting!...On Thursdays at 2 p.m. it's the **Good Age Club** with speakers, films or entertainment. This week, Dec. 4, **Cathy Katz** of the Canadian Association for Ethiopian Jews will speak about the plight and present-day hopes of Ethiopian Jews. She will be bringing slides recently taken in Israel and Ethiopia. Refreshments and discussion will follow. For more information, contact **Sarah Casse** at 924-6211.

Beth Tzedec Friendship Club Plus 50 has arranged a musicale luncheon for Tuesday, Dec. 2, at 12.30 p.m. featuring **Diane Lewarne** of the Canadian Opera Company in a program entitled Mostly Opera. Reservations are necessary. Call 781-3511. The charge is $5.50.

Labor Zionist Alliance Senior Citizens Club meets daily at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave., from noon to 4 p.m. Light lunches are available.....The Cultural Circle meets on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. to noon for interesting lectures and discussions. On Dec. 2 the speaker will be **Hy Fogelman**, Ontario director, Israel Histadrut Campaign, who will talk about The Battle for the Next Generation.

North York Senior Walkers invites all seniors 55 and over to join the group for a Sunday walk on Nov. 30 at Alexander Muir and Sherwood Parks (Yonge and Lawrence area)..... The next monthly meeting at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave., takes place Tuesday, Dec. 2, at 7 p.m. and features the film, Physical Fitness and the Later Years. For more information and direc-

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tions, call 241-2932 or 635-5837.

Come out and have an enjoyable afternoon on Tuesday, Dec. 2, when **Temple Sinai Seniors** presents that expressive artist of songs, **Jeff King**. The time is 1 p.m. at the temple, 210 Wilson Ave.

Beth Sholom Seniors will meet on Wednesday, Dec. 3, at 7.30 p.m. at the synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W. Program will feature singer **Eileen Brass** and refreshments will be served. Charge is $1 members, $2 non-members. For information, call publicity chairman **Eve Donsky** at 782-1068.....At the Nov. 5 meeting, the raffle for a trip to Florida for two was won by club member **Rose Turner**.

On Saturday, Nov. 29, **Earl Bales Seniors' Place** is holding a dance at Earl Bales Community Centre (in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard) from 8-11 p.m. Admission is free for members, $1 for non-members. Dance is organized by **Ann Soren**.

At the **Holy Blossom Temple Alumni** meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 3, at 1.30 p.m., the program will feature **Roy Emsley** and his dancing partner.

Workmen's Circle Social Club meets for lunch and entertainment on Tuesday, Dec. 2, at noon at 471 Lawrence Ave. W. If you are planning on coming to the Chanukah party, be sure to attend this meeting and sign up. For information, call **Shirley Grotell** at 222-7727.

At the **Wagman Centre**, the next session of 60 and Holding, a nutrition counseling and weight production program, begins Monday, Dec. 1, at 7.30 p.m. and Tuesday, Dec. 2, at 9.30 a.m. for 10 weeks. Charge is $30 for Wagman Centre members, $40 for non-members. For information about registration, call 789-5131, ext. 2267.....The Joy of Theatre group will be seeing Murder at McQueen by **Erika Ritter** on Thursday, Dec. 18, at 7.30 p.m. at the Tarragon Theatre, 30 Bridgeman Ave. (Bathurst and Davenport). The cost is $7.50. Advance bookings are necessary. Enrol at the Wagman Centre desk.

Upper Canada Friendship Club held a Simchat Torah party at 4266 Bathurst St. with **Yossi's** orchestra arranged by program and entertainment chairman **Dora Posluns**. A wonderful dinner was served, arranged by **Sue Nelson, Rae Fergus** and **Min Sugar** with volunteers **Joan Ceresne, Bernice Liddiard, Gert Gross, Katie Kidekel, Meyer Collins, Morris Resnick, Shimal Fox** and **Ann Soren**.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

Jewish Social Etiquette: Life Cycles and Issues in the 80s with **Terry Winston** will run on Friday Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12 and 19 from 1-3 p.m. in the library.

Refresher and Winter Driving runs Tuesday, Nov. 25, Dec. 2, 9 and 16 from 9.45-11.45 a.m. in the arts and crafts room. This is classroom instruction only.

Personal Grooming with **Wendy Hradsky** runs Monday, Dec. 1 and 8 from 1-3 p.m. in the music room.

For information about all the above courses, contact **Barbara Resnick** at 225-2112.

The Health Information lecture on Thursday, Dec. 4, will focus on Stress Management for Improved Living. **Elaine Zeitz**, educator, hypnotist and therapist will present theoretical and practical techniques for managing the stress of day-to-day living. The time is 1:30 p.m. Admission for members is free, $1 non-members. For further information, contact **Randi Fine** at 225-2112.

singles

JCC Valley Singles Network presents a Dance to Delight featuring reggae and island music as well as current favorites on Sunday, Nov. 30, at 8.30 p.m. at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Admission is $4 members, $6 non-members. For information, call **Sally Kerbel** at 889-0813.

On Sunday, Nov. 30, **Beth Tikvah Chai Singles Group** (35 and over) Vital Topics discussion series features a talk on The Best Years of Your Life Lie Ahead of You: How to Plan for Those Years with nurse-educator **Rosalie Mednick Nepam**. The time is 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. Admission is $3 members, $5 visitors.

JASS (Jewish Association Serving Singles) Hot Line at the Hamilton Jewish Community Centre is a 24-hour taped message keeping you up to date on singles activities in Southern Ontario. Call Hamilton (416) 528-2993.

Join the new co-ed group, **Club Jericho** (ages 23-40) whose aim is to hold social, cultural and religious functions geared to our Jewish heritage. For further information on the group, time and place of upcoming events, call **Sandra** at 787-3465 evenings (no Shabbat calls) or **Dan** at 782-1588.

The Professional and University Educated Group of **High Society** is presently planning its calendar of events for the coming year. If you are interested in joining the group, either as a member or activity coordinator, or, if you would like to obtain information about our functions and group format, call High Society at 783-8520.

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Prenatal education, offered at the Jewish Community Centre northern branch, 4588 Bathurst St., includes Prenatal Fitness classes, which are held Monday and Thursday evenings from 7-8.30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9.30-11 a.m. with **Iris Weverman**, registered physiotherapist and childbirth educator and Childbirth Preparation classes, (to begin approximately in your 7th month of pregnancy), held Tuesday and Thursday from 7.30-9.30 p.m. with **Shira Benson**, registered nurse and childbirth educator. For information, contact **Susan Rousseau** at 636-1880, ext. 235.

Sign your child up for winter vacation fun days, Dec. 22, 23, 24, 29, 30, 31 and Jan. 2 at the Bloor JCC, 750 Spadina Ave. Each day includes gym, swim and a special workshop. This is for children in senior kindergarten to grade 6. Registration opens Dec. 1. The cost is $12 a day for JCC members and $15 for non-members or save 18% and sign up for seven days for $70 (members only).

Registration for other Bloor JCC classes is the week of Dec. 7 for members and the week of Dec. 14 for non-members. Call **Sarah Casse** at 924-6211 for information.

Israeli folkdancing for adults is held at the northeast JCC Valley branch, 7015 Leslie St., every Tuesday evening at 8.30 with **Sofie Azen**. Admission is $3 at the door for each session. For information, call **Rose Shapiro** at 889-0813.

Associated grads offered scholarships

TORONTO — Associated Hebrew Schools is accepting applications from former graduates for scholarships in post secondary school Jewish studies.

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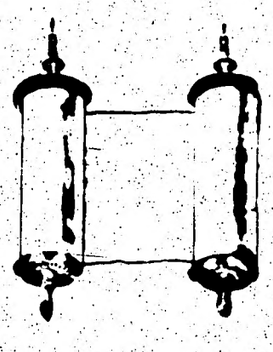

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Chayei Sarah

What age can do, no books can do. You learn self-control, you learn wisdom, you learn to say no.

Once a rabbi found a Jew eating on the fast day of Tisha b'Av.

"I have to eat," answered the robust, husky man. "I'm weak."

"You certainly are," agreed the rabbi. "Our sages teach 'Who is strong? Someone who can control his desires . . .' And obviously, you are too weak to control yours. . . ."

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Old age is beautiful. White hair is a crown.

Consider . . . "v'Avraham zakein bo bayomim . . . And Abraham was old, full of days. . . ."

What does that teach?

The Rabbis tell a strange legend . . . "Until Abraham, there was no old age, no aging. When someone wanted to speak to Abraham, they would mistakenly address Isaac, who looked just like him. When they wanted to address Isaac, they would turn to Abraham by mistake.

Wow! Abraham was 100 years older than his son, and they looked like twins!

Today — such an invention would make its inventor a *trillionaire*, never mind billionaire.

But what did Abraham do? He didn't like this system. He prayed to God that when a person was eighty or a hundred — he should *look* like eighty or a hundred!

"Hayatah ziknah! You looked your age!"

Who asked him? Why? Imagine, at 70 to look like 20!

But — explains the Divrei Shaul — there is a quality to youth and a quality to old age. Youth? There is energy, there is desire, there is the ability to fulfill desire. The whole world is for the taking. Whatever the body longs for, youth can take.

Physically, youth is supreme.

But old age? The body doesn't respond so fast. The same strength is not there, The physical is weaker. But the mind? The spirit? The understanding, the experience, the self control? The wisdom to know what is good and what is bad, what is worthwhile and what is a waste of time, what is meaningful and what is foolish, the yishuv hadaas, the balance?

That can only come with years, with mistakes, with living.

Abraham prayed for old age! He prayed that instead of just worshipping the body, the outward beauty, he would have the wisdom and depth that years bring, the love for the spiritual.

Taught our rabbis: Abraham minted a coin. On one side were an old man and woman; on the other side were a young man and woman, because Abraham understood the beauty of youth, and the glory of old age.

When a Jew studies Torah and lives by Torah, he is always young, he is always just beginning. . . .

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Wisdom counts, not money.

A certain wealthy man lost all his money — and all his friends turned their back on him.

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Remembering the poor and hungry

Group asks 3% of simcha food bills

By
PAUL LUNGEN

Roger Hyman

TORONTO — Weddings, bar and bat mitzvahs and other simchas are a caterer's dream. Food, food, glorious food is supplied by the plateful, with choice of main courses following appetizers, preceding desserts and followed of course, by the ubiquitous, slightly decadent sweet table.

A newly-formed organization is trying to inject a note of sobriety in the midst of the often ostentatious display of plenty.

Mazon Canada is barely two months old, but it embodies an age-old Jewish tradition of remembering the poor and the hungry in the midst of simchas and celebrations.

A non-profit organization with a board of directors of prominent Canadian Jews, Mazon Canada encourages those holding simchas to tithe themselves to the tune of 3% of the total food-related costs. To a $5,000 food bill, for example, $150 would be added.

Mazon Canada will collect the money and distribute it to existing agencies and organizations which run food banks and other charitable functions geared to feeding the hungry in Canadian society. Although the group's policy hasn't been firmly set in stone, Mazon money may go to feeding the hungry abroad as well.

Roger Hyman, executive director of Mazon Canada, said the group was born on Sept. 15 and can trace its roots back to an article that appeared in the April 1985 edition of *Moment Magazine*. The article, by Leonard Fein, quoted the Passover haggadah to "let all who are hungry enter and eat."

"Let us launch a Jewish campaign against hunger," Fein stated. "Let us set aside a portion of our joy to feed the hungry...We have a long-standing tradition of sharing with the Jewish poor precisely at the times of our celebrations.

"The tradition teaches that for reasons of peace our charities must be directed to the needs of the general society (as well as to our own needs)."

Hyman, a professor of English literature and Canadian studies at McMaster University in Hamilton, said the specific charitable organizations that will benefit from contributions to Mazon Canada have not as yet been chosen. He noted, however, that Toronto has 12 food banks in operation.

The immediate goal of the Mazon Canada organizers is to establish "grass roots Mazon committees in synagogues across the country whose job it will be to bring Mazon to the attention of those celebrating simchas."

Mazon committees have already been set up at the Holy Blossom Temple, Temple Emanu-El and Temple Sinai and synagogues from all branches of Judaism are invited to participate, Hyman stated.

Though only a couple of months old, Mazon has already received contributions from four congregations in Toronto, three from Montreal and two from Ottawa.

In appreciation of the opportunity presented by Mazon Canada, one Montrealer sent a letter along with his check that stated "I am considerably more grateful to have the z'chut (privilege) to make this contribution than you are to receive it."

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Bernard Kamin (right), Toronto JCC president, recently received a check from Monte Kwinter, Ontario minister of consumer and commercial relations, as the first instalment of a provincial grant to upgrade the Bloor JCC facilities.

Workshops on Nazi criminals, cults

Network conference "memorable"

STRATFORD, Ont. — Special guests and workshops on timely issues made the recent Network Central Region conference at the Victorian Inn here a "memorable event," organizers say.

Speakers at the conference included Yakov Gorodetsky, a former Soviet Refusenik now touring North America promoting activism for Soviet Jewry and retired Israeli General Aron Davidi, originator and director of the Volunteers for Israel army program.

Workshops focused on cults and missionaries on campus, Nazi war criminals in Canada, oppressed Jewry, Jewish education and Jewish identity on campus.

Solid participation in workshops and task forces plus lively entertainment created a warm atmosphere, say conference coordinators Lara Gork and Danny Schonbuch.

"The conference was fantastic, but now's when the real work starts. We've got resolutions to activate, and an upcoming national convention," says Mike Zeldman, central region chairman for Network.

For information on Network's upcoming activities, contact Eli Cohen at (416) 783-1165.

Seen at the recent Network conference in Stratford are (from left) General Aron Davidi of Volunteers for Israel; Efrat Mori, an Israeli soldier on tour for Volunteers for Israel, and Chris Fogelman, president of University of Western Ontario's Hillel Organization.

JCC upgrades Bloor facilities

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO — Members of the Jewish Community Centre who frequent the Bloor St. branch may have noticed improvements in the facilities during the past weeks.

It's all part of an upgrading program scheduled for completion in December 1987. Renovations in the women's locker room, in the men's health club locker room and throughout the building are planned, thanks in part to a $100,000 grant from the Ontario ministry of tourism and recreation.

The grant, the first instalment of which was delivered in September, "will extend the useful life of the building," according to documentation presented to the ministry by the JCC. The improvements are also expected to attract new members and increase the participation of current members, said Marilyn Seligman, a JCC spokesperson.

The improvements proposed by the JCC include new flooring for the running track and for the handball and squash courts, boiler replacement, air conditioning for the gym, auditorium and lounge.

The men's and women's health clubs should see new lockers as well as more showers and special skid-proof flooring in the shower areas.

Projected cost of all the improvements is $585,000, of which the JCC must raise $485,000, Seligman said. Businessman Wilfred Posluns chairs a committee whose goal is to raise a total of $4 million for the Bloor and northern branches of the JCC, she added.

Accessobus to aid disabled

TORONTO — A physically disabled person's inability to travel between cities by bus may eventually become a thing of the past, once the Winnipeg-built Accessobus is put into service, says Rod Semple, chairman of the North York subcommittee for the physically disabled.

The $300,000 wheelchair accessible highway bus can accommodate both the disabled and able-bodied passengers. It features a fully enclosed lift, a room for two wheelchairs and emergency exit instructions in braille and headphones to enable hearing impaired passengers to listen to the driver's instructions.

"The Accessobus gives the disabled the opportunity to travel by intercity highway coach to communities they could never reach before," said Semple. "It opens up a whole new world for them."

The Accessobus, which was built by Motor Coach Industries of Winnipeg in cooperation with T.E.S. Industries, Ottawa, has just returned from display at Expo 86 and will commence a demonstration tour of bus companies in Canada and the U.S. next year.

Semple said while it won't be at least until 1988 before the Accessobus is in service on Canadian routes, large fleets have already been purchased by bus companies in San Francisco and Massachusetts.

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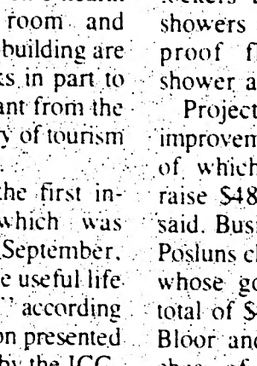

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Organizations and People

"Guiding light" at Baycrest

Long-time champion of the elderly Lyons dies

TORONTO —

Walter Lyons, administrator, educator, author and long-time champion of the elderly, died Sunday. He was 69.

Considered by many to be a pioneer in the field of long-term care, Lyons joined Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care in 1957, says Baycrest's executive director Stephen Rudin.

Day care services designed to help seniors remain in the community while involved in a care facility program, and special care programs geared to provide a range of services to Alzheimer patients, were just two of his many achievements, Rudin said.

"Walter represented all that's good about Baycrest," the executive director said. "With honesty and compassion he established standards, created programs and constantly challenged society's perceptions of and institutions' care provided to the chronically ill and elderly," Rudin added, describing Lyons as being a "guiding light" in the centre's development.

Walter Lyons

As administrator of the centre's Jewish Home for the Aged, Lyons had the opportunity to implement innovative programs to improve care, he said.

By continually striving for excellence, by constantly reminding all around him that the aged are important members of society and by urging continued emphasis on research and the introduction of new programs to meet the needs of the elderly, Lyons made invaluable contributions to the field of gerontology, Rudin stated.

In 1981, following retirement as administrator of the Jewish Home for the Aged, Lyons became Baycrest's director of central intake and subsequently director of education and began building a department that today offers a range of services to health-care professionals throughout North America.

It was also during this period that he co-authored a book on caring for the institutionally impaired.

Sam Ruth, former executive director of Baycrest and today president of the Baycrest Centre Foundation, remembers Lyons as being a compassionate individual whose life was dedicated to improving the lives of society's senior members.

"Never satisfied with mediocrity, he had a strong social conscience and continually demanded better ways of meeting the needs and treatment of our elderly," Ruth said.

Lyons was past chairman of the Ontario Welfare Council's Section on Aging; past president of the Ontario Association of Homes for the Aged and the Alzheimer Society.

While serving as the Canadian Alzheimer Society's 1984 to 1986 president, Lyons began work on the formation of the society's recently established Research Policy Committee which is headed by Justice Emmett Hall and has Pauline McGibbon as one of its members.

He was a member of the Canadian Association of Social Workers, Ontario Association of Professional Social Workers, Canadian Association on Gerontology, the Gerontological Association of Ontario and the Ontario Psychogeriatric Association.

Born in Hamilton, Lyons graduated from McMaster University, received his Bachelor's in social work from the University of Toronto's School of Social Work and his Master of social work degree from the University of Pennsylvania's School of Social Work.

Prior to joining Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, he was supervisor of the Toronto Jewish Family & Child Services' family service department.

Lyons was predeceased by his wife, Sophie, in March of this year, and is survived by a son Mark, a daughter Naomi and son-in-law David Friedman.

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Panel urges seniors:

Expand learning horizons

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

Learn as much as you can about technology and remain interested in community affairs, senior citizens were urged at a recent public forum at the Bernard Betel Centre.

Guests panelists at the forum, entitled The Changing World, How Will it Affect Us, were Dorothy Singer, manager of policy and program development, Ontario ministry of senior citizens affairs; lawyer Fred Catzman, Wilson Head, professor of social work at York University and Joel Sadavoy, head of the department of psychiatry at the Baycrest Centre.

"Technology has the potential of doing wonderful things but it can be equally as dangerous. People can use technology for their benefit at the expense of others," said Wilson Head.

He added that technology can invade people's privacy and subject them to constant surveillance. "Private information is fed into a computer and then made available for people's use."

The professor encouraged the audience to become computer wise. "Knowledge is wisdom," he said.

Sadavoy agreed that seniors should continue to learn and expand their horizons. "Aging is a development period in life just like any other development period. It is not a time to isolate yourself," he said.

He said that one in five senior citizens suffers from depression or anxiety. "A competent therapist can help develop new strategies in coping with this period and ease the depression and anxiety."

Dorothy Singer told the audience that her ministry is determined to try and retain the elderly in the community as long as possible. "In order to do this, however, community support services must be improved and it must be made easier for those seniors living at home to get help with day-to-day chores."

She added that a 1-stop shopping approach to community services would benefit seniors tremendously. "Right now, agencies are fragmented and seniors and their families have to go from agency to agency to fulfill their needs. It wastes precious time."

Singer urged the audience to participate in the process necessary to help change the system.

audience that the Charter of Rights and Freedoms entrenches certain rights of which everyone should be aware. "It is up to you to know about them," he said.

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Organizations and People

Key fund raiser in Ontario

UIA to honor Ocopnick for "devoted service"

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Ask members of the tiny Jewish communities scattered throughout Ontario who is their link to the fund raising establishment and chances are they'll tell you: Ben Ocopnick.

For the past 14 years, rain or shine, winter or summer, Ocopnick has gassed up his car and taken to the open road, making his way to Barrie, Guelph, Sudbury, St. Catharines and Kitchener, soliciting funds for the United Israel Appeal.

For longer trips, Ocopnick would fly as far west as Thunder Bay or north to Timmins where he'd rent a car and drive to Kirkland Lake, Rouyn and Noranda. When the weather was bad, he'd sometimes go by dog sled, he jokes.

Ocopnick will retire at the end of the year, but before he does so, the UIA will hold a dinner in his honor on Dec. 2 at the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue.

"We want to show our appreciation for his devoted service" over the years, says Walter Hess, executive vice-president of UIA of Canada.

Ocopnick got his start with UIA after working for five years with the United Jewish Appeal as director of synagogues and organizations of the Metropolitan Division of Toronto UJA.

As UIA representative, Ocoponick has been the key fund raiser in 26 "unstructured" communities (those without a local UJA organization) and in "20 small towns in between."

Ocopnick has "seen them all," including the tiny town of Cobalt near Kirkland Lake where at one time only two Jews resided — a cattleman and a theatre operator — as well as to the town of Swastika (near Timmins) where a Jewish doctor once resided.

Born in Montreal 62 years ago, Ocopnick found himself in Toronto in 1946 after being discharged from the Canadian armed forces. In those days, Palestine was gripped in civil war and a war of liberation from the British.

Ben Ocopnick on the World War I vintage twin Hotchkiss anti-aircraft guns mounted on board the Wedgewood during Israel's War of Independence. The guns are now in the Naval Museum in Haifa.

Ocopnick, who had been affiliated with Habonim, the Labor Zionist youth group, decided to help the Zionist cause by making aliya.

After speaking to the Haganah chief in Toronto, Ocopnick began a 3-year adventure by traveling to New York where he made contact with the Haganah underground. From there he went on to Baltimore and along with other youthful idealists, began work on the Ulua, an old coast guard cutter being outfitted with long wooden bunks to ferry 1,500 Jewish refugees to Palestine.

Their cover was that of a "banana boat" carrying fruit from Panama to Europe, Ocopnick recalls. After some judicious bribes, the crew magically obtained Panamanian citizenship and the ship obtained Panamanian registry.

Labor and Zionist connections proved valuable at that time. The dockworkers on strike in Baltimore judiciously avoided picketing the Ulua, while the port captain's Jewish roots didn't hurt either.

Eventually the ship headed eastward and after a 1-month port of call in Marseilles it sailed to Sweden where it picked up 750 refugees. These survivors were young women saved from Nazi concentration camps by Count Folk Bernadotte who had promised the Nazis he'd mention their gesture following the war, Ocopnick says.

The girls were shocked when they boarded the Ulua and saw the wooden bunks, he recalls. It looked very much like the cramped quarters they endured in the camps.

The Ulua sailed to Le Havre, where the French government, at the behest of the British, tried to prevent the ship from sailing on. But at 3 a.m. one morning, the ship quietly weighed anchor and headed for the Mediterranean.

After more adventures, surviving a storm that Ocopnick thought would sink the 980-ton boat and avoiding a British flotilla at Gibraltar, the Ulua made its way to southern Italy. There, 750 more refugees boarded her, clambering up landing nets to get on the ship.

On they went to Palestine. One day out of Haifa they were spotted by a British flying boat and were soon "escorted" by two destroyers. About 50 miles out, another 20 boats surrounded the Ulua and 20 miles out, "they started to ram us."

British marines then boarded her and for 1½ hours the crew fought a running battle with them using clubs and sticks. The crew had thrown their guns overboard, Ocopnick recalls, to "avoid a blood-bath." Eventually the marines captured the crew but beforehand, crew members managed to disconnect the ship's steering and grounded the boat on the beach, coincidentally outside a British military instalation near Haifa.

Ocopnick was interned in Cyprus, escaped after three months — "that's another story" — and eventually made his way back to Canada where he helped recruit volunteers to fight with Israel in the upcoming War of Independence.

In March 1948 Ocopnick returned to Israel and eventually joined a 35-man Canadian platoon in the Givati Brigade (the same unit that recently suffered a grenade attack near Jerusalem's Dung Gate). They saw action several times at Latrun and at Gedera.

After a few months the platoon was disbanded so its members could be scattered throughout other units to bring their World War II military experience to bear.

Ocopnick found himself back at sea, serving on the Wedgewood, an old U.S. coast guard cutter outfitted with 50 mm guns and an assortment of other ordnance.

— The Wedgewood and its sister ship took up positions outside Tyre, Lebanon, where they shelled the port to prevent it being used by the Syrians to embark their soldiers southward.

After 6 months in the navy, Ocopnick's next tour of duty was in Israel's fledgling air force (he'd served in the Canadian air force during World War II) as an air traffic controller at the Beersheba airdrome.

When the war was finally over in 1949, Ocopnick headed back to Canada, "got married" and took up a safer, if less exciting, line of work in the real estate and insurance businesses. From there it was on to UJA and UIA.

Though Ocopnick will soon retire, his connection to Israel will continue. He expects to participate part time in the wills and bequests program UIA is developing, a program where his insurance, UJA and Israel experience will come into play.

As Hess says: "His dedication to Israel and to the Jewish people is really quite singular."

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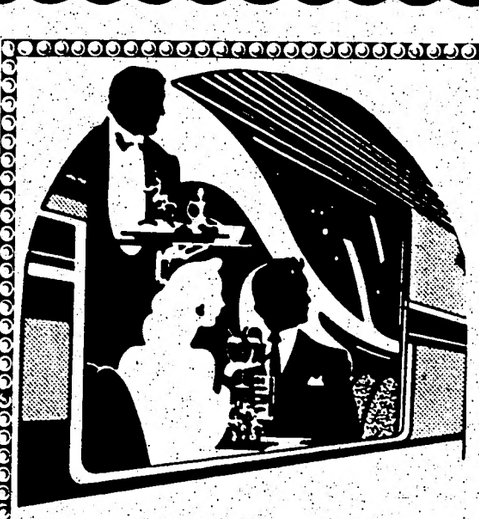

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Organizations and People

Lubavitcher represents Victoria district on city council

First identifiably observant Jew elected in Que.

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — One campaign promise Saulie Zajdel didn't make is that he would be a 7-day-a-week city councilor. That's because he is a Lubavitcher and, to his knowledge, the first identifiably observant Jew (i.e. wearing a kipa) elected to public office in Quebec.

Zajdel, 30, was the successful Montreal Citizens' Movement candidate in the Victoria district in the Nov. 9 Montreal civic elections, defeating incumbent Sam Berliner of the Civic Party by 360 votes in one of the tighter races in the West End.

The district, roughly bounded by the Town of Mount Royal border, Cote des Neiges Rd., Cote Ste. Catherine Rd. and Decarie Blvd., is the home of most of Montreal's Lubavitch community, but Zajdel emphasizes that he was not chosen by that community to run for office.

"I ran on my own initiative; I just happen to be a Lubavitcher," Zajdel said.

He did seek and receive the blessings of his rabbi, but no special permission was required for him to enter politics, he said. In fact, Zajdel estimates that less then 300 of the 2,418 votes he received were cast by Lubavitchers because many are not Canadian citizens and the community has a large proportion of members under the voting age.

Victoria is ethnically diverse with significant Black, Asian and other immigrant communities, as well as French-Canadians, and Zajdel made an effort to reach all of them. "I intend to represent everyone in the district," he said.

"Although I am not by strict definition a member of a visible minority, I am able to understand their problems having experienced discrimination in finding a job and having been called 'dirty Jew.' "

Zajdel has made it clear to the MCM that he will not be available on Shabbat and Jewish holidays, although he says he will ask his rabbinical authorities what kind of dispensations may be granted in urgent situations. There are certain things that will make him a little uncomfortable, like sitting in the presence of the crucifix which hangs in the council chamber, but he shrugs it off.

"Realistically, I don't see my job as a councilor posing any problem for my religious observance," he said.

Of course, Zajdel is not the only Jewish councilor; the five others, Arnold Bennett, Sam Boskey, Marvin Rotrand, Michael Fainstat and Abe Limonchik, are all re-elected MCM members.

New mayor Jean Dore has shown a sensitivity to the multicultural nature of Montreal, Zajdel pointed out, and has promised affirmative action programs to encourage the hiring of a more representative number of ethnics, as well as women, in the municipal public service.

During the campaign, Dore met with Montreal Chief Rabbi Pinchus Hirschprung and about a dozen other leading Orthodox rabbis, with Zajdel acting as a sort of intermediary.

The main topic of discussion was the rabbis' interest in creating an eruv, a defined territory within which observant Jews may carry objects on Shabbat, in Montreal. Zajdel believes Dore is amenable to the idea which requires the cooperation of the city.

The MCM has also pledged that it will establish a multilingual information and referral service for anglophones. Zajdel said he will make representations for Yiddish to be included among the languages.

As just one of the 55 MCM councilors at city hall (of 58 seats) and a newcomer at that, Zajdel

Saulie Zajdel

realizes he will probably have to pay his dues as a backbencher for some time. He does hope, however, that he will be invited to sit on a race relations committee proposed by Dore.

Zajdel was born in Montreal, his father was from Poland and his mother from Quebec City. He attended the Rabbinical College of Canada and has lived in the district he now represents for the past 20 years. He holds Bachelor degrees in both commerce and social work from McGill University, and was torn at one point in his life between which career to choose.

Six years ago, he began the job he holds today with the Bank of Montreal's data processing division. From his cubicle in the bank's offices in Place Bonaventure, Zajdel devises and tests computer systems. It's a job he intends to keep, but his work as a councilor, he feels, will allow him to fulfill a desire to be in a "helping profession."

Zajdel, his wife Helen and and their two small daughters live in a duplex on Westbury Ave., across the street from the yeshiva he attended. Zajdel normally takes the metro to work everyday, and this won't change, he said.

Among his Jewish community interests, Zajdel was a a graduate this year of Canadian Jewish Congress' leadership development program, and now sits on its community relations committee. He has also been active with the Beth Rivkah Academy, the Lubavitch girls' school.

His joining the MCM in early 1985 was not Zajdel's first brush with politics. He has been a member of the provincial Liberal party since 1982, and a few years ago approached Mayor Jean Drapeau about the possibility of running as a Civic Party candidate in the 1986 election. Before Drapeau ever gave him a definite answer, Zajdel grew disenchanted with the Civic Party and its "closed" atmosphere.

"The turning point was when Drapeau arbitrarily decided that Berri St. would be the site of a new hall for the Montreal Symphony Orchestra, ending the discussions over the McGill College Ave. project."

The new councilor took four weeks off work for his campaign and says he lost 10 pounds in his bid to unseat Berliner, a lawyer with a solid track record on city council. But Zajdel's toughest battle was in getting the MCM nomination last May.

Some MCM members in the district accused Zajdel of jumping on the MCM bandwagon and brought charges against him of irregularities for the manner in which he recruited supporters for the nomination convention. The MCM central executive dismissed the allegations.

Zajdel won the nomination by 36 votes over opponent Kevin Cadloff, a lawyer who had worked for the MCM for five years. Zajdel signed up more than 250 supporters, mostly fellow Lubavitchers, just before the 30-day deadline for new members, which no doubt gave him the edge.

He is still hurt by the experience, believing the accusations may have stemmed from his being Lubavitch. "Some of the things said were distressing and unfair."

As for the future, Zajdel says it is too early to decide whether he will seek a second term, let alone consider a political career at a higher level of government.

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Organizations and People

Network meet covers gamut of Jewish agenda

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

The recent record blizzard here shut down the city but it didn't stop the Netwest 86 conference of the North American Jewish Students' Network.

Although the organizers were forced to do some improvising, the event proved a success, and no one could leave the hotel conference site for three days because of the storm.

About 100 delegates from Western Canada's major cities gathered in Winnipeg for the annual Jewish students conference. They were treated to an array of speakers, both local and from out of town, covering the entire modern Jewish agenda.

The first speaker, on a Thursday evening, was Orthodox feminist and author Blu Greenberg on the feminist challenge to Judaism.

Other major speakers over the next two days included former Manitoba Conservative Party leader and current chairman of the Canada-Israel Committee, Sidney Spivak, on the workings of the CIC; Brenda Barrie, Winnipeg Jewish Community Council director of community relations; Israel Ludwig, former chairman of the B'nai B'rith League for Human Rights Midwest Region on crisis management on campus; and Yoram Hamizrachi, local human rights activist and journalist on the subject ofd terrorism.

Conducting workshops were out-of-town guests including journalist Elan Magat, currently Network's Western Canadian field worker; Roberta Malam, a Canadian Zionist Federation youth field worker; Mimi Pensiner, academic affairs coordinator for the Canadian Friends of Hebrew University; Eli Rosenbaum, World Jewish Congress general counsel; Jack Silverstone, national executive director of the Canadian Jewish Congress.

Moshe Ben-Tsioni, Israeli consul in Toronto; Mimi Estrin, Network's national chairperson; Mike Zeldman, Central Region chairperson; former Winnipegger Eli Cohen, now Network's executive director; Danny Eisen, Network's senior policy adviser; and Rachel Meir, of the World Zionist Organization education department.

Other local speakers included Lubavitch Rebbe Zusya Halprin, Joan Sheps of the CZF, Amikam Shuvani of the Hebrew University, JNF shalliach Baruch Ben-Dov, and Rosh Pina Synagogue's new assistant Rabbi Larry Lander.

Shabbat programming was led by Rabbi Neal Rose and his wife, Carol, and their family and included lessons in making candles for havdalah, Israeli dancing and a discussion on the Jewish family.

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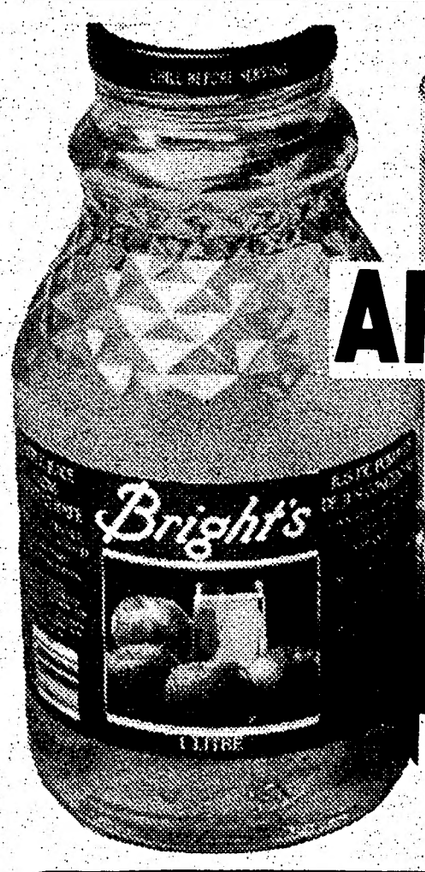

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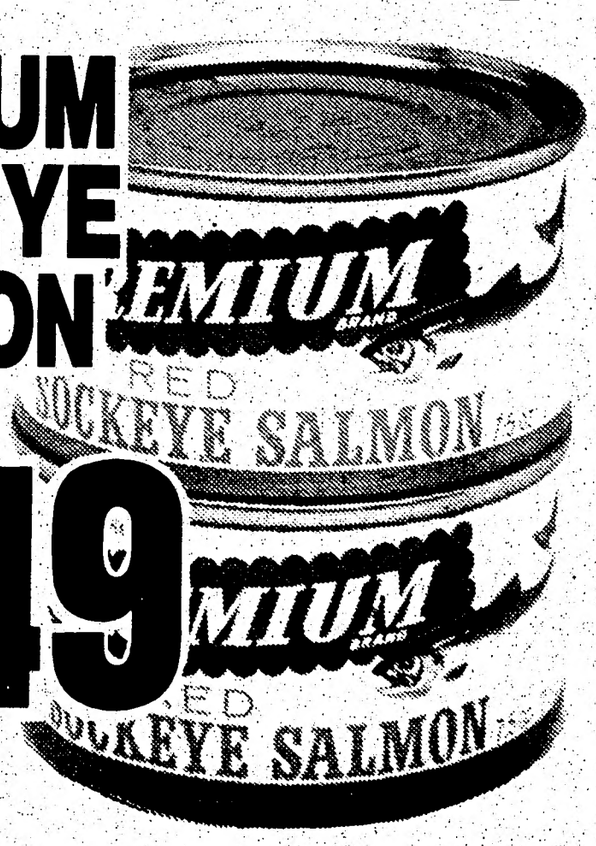

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Singing and dancing at Shabbat tish

Community unites to welcome Bobover Rebbe

By
WENDY ROSEN

the rebbe's stay was well attended by those in the Toronto and surrounding area's Orthodox community. As well, about 300 members of the Bobover community in New York, Los Angeles, London and Antwerp traveled here for Shabbat with the rebbe, who was accompanied by an entourage of 20.

TORONTO —

Rabbi Shlomo Halberstam's recent 6-day visit to Toronto was acclaimed a resounding success in uniting the Orthodox Jewish community, a local Bobover leader said.

Rabbi Yehoshua Czermak, executive director of Bobover institutions in Toronto, said that it is the first time in 27 years the New York-based leader of the Bobover chassidim has celebrated a Shabbat here and the community made the most of it.

Czermak said that every public event during

More than 500 attended Friday night services at the Bobover shul compared to the usual 100, Czermak said. A tish, a meal that the rabbis share with guests to the accompaniment of songs and dance, followed at the Neptune branch of the Associated Hebrew Schools. More than 800 attended the tish.

The Toronto rabbi said that words cannot describe the beauty of Saturday morning services. The sound of people singing in unison was "so beautiful and left everyone elated."

A neighboring shul, the Agudath Israel, invited the Bobovers to spend the afternoon service and tish with them.

"There were more than 600 there ... It was just wall-to-wall people — just like every other event with the rebbe."

The highlight of the weekend, the dedication of a Torah scroll donated by Moishe Kuhnreich, occurred Saturday night.

Rabbi Halberstam

Czermak said it was touching and wonderful to see 2,000 people — "old men with white beards next to young boys" — marching from Kuhnreich's home on Barse St. ½ of a mile down Bathurst to the shul, where a melava malka honoring Halberstam was held.

About 1,500 people participated in the singing and dancing that went on for almost five hours.

In his two Shabbat speeches and in other public addresses, Halberstam's main themes were the greatness of the study of Torah and the love one must have for a fellow Jew. This latter theme is a trait of Bobover philosophy.

"Orthodox Jews from all over the city quite literally waited hours to come in and see the rebbe to ask for a blessing or seek counseling for their problems," Czermak said. "Every spare moment he had until the very night he left, he willingly offered counseling."

During his stay — Nov. 12 to Nov. 18 — the rebbe officially inaugurated the Bobover synagogue, a kollel (a post-graduate rabbinical college) and an elementary school for boys.

In a keynote speech at the kollel's annual fund raiser, the rebbe and his eldest son, Rabbi Naftalai Halberstam, spoke about the merits of supporting Torah institutions.

Czermak said that 250 of the most prominent businessmen in the Orthodox community attended the event at the North York home of Yacov Gestetner.

"Everyone who was invited came because it was such an honor to meet with and hear Rabbi Halberstam."

The Toronto rabbi said that the drive "was much stronger this year" and attributed it to people making larger donations in the Bobover leader's honor.

"We are grateful to have had the privilege of having the rebbe and his entourage spend Shabbat with us."

Lastman officiates at reopening of store

NORTH YORK —

North York Mayor Mel Lastman recently opened a newly renovated Miracle Food Mart by praising both the store's success and North York's building boom.

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Michael Velazquez, director of advertising, said that Miracle Food Mart plans to spend $20 to $25 million to renovate stores to provide a similar look across Ontario.

Also on hand for the store's reopening, which featured a Dixieland band, was television weatherman Dave Duvall, who acted as master of ceremonies.

In keeping with North York's goal of making the neighborhood a more "people friendly" place, Miracle has provided good lighting, and weather protection with removable glass in the centre of the building.

North York Mayor Mel Lastman (right) opens the renovated Miracle Food Mart store. With Lastman is store manager Larry Nolan. [Jeff Rosen photo]

Store manager Larry Nolan said that in redesigning the store, Miracle did extensive research into what shoppers want. He said aisle signage has been improved, two checkouts have been added, staff service has been increased by 40% and parking facilities have been expanded.

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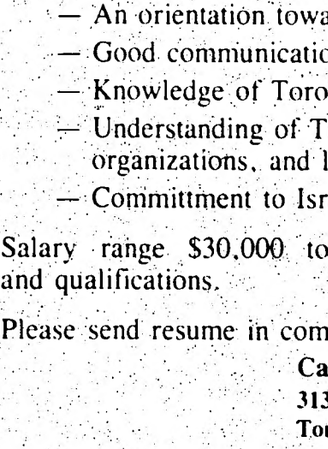

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Students must meet the two criteria of financial need and academic excellence, and apply to an approved university to be eligible for a scholarship, says Irwin Gold, executive consultant to the endowment fund.

Schoenfeld describes her experience in Israel as invaluable in her work as a Hebrew school principal. "I not only improved my language skills but strengthened my commitment and understanding of Israeli culture by living a typical life in a Jerusalem apartment with my husband and two children," she explains.

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For more information, contact Irwin Gold, Pulver Scholarship Committee, Toronto Jewish Congress, 4600 Bathurst St., Toronto M2R 3V2.

Justice Matas dies of cancer

WINNIPEG —

Mr. Justice Roy Matas of the Manitoba Court of Appeal died recently of cancer. He was 66.

Born in Winnipeg the son of immigrants from Russia, Matas attended the University of Manitoba Law School and graduated with the gold medal in 1946.

Matas practiced law in Winnipeg from 1946-67 with the firm of Cantor, Matas, Simkin, Cantor and Goltsman and was appointed justice of the Court of Queen's Bench on June 13, 1967. He was elevated to the Court of Appeal in 1973.

Matas' connections with the Jewish community were extensive. During his career he served on the board of management of the Shaarey Zedek Synagogue and in a number of positions with the Jewish Welfare Fund, the United Israel-United Jewish Appeal and the national board of the Jewish National Fund.

Matas worked extensively to promote Haifa's Technion. He was former chairman for Western Canada of the Canadian Technion Society and national vice-president of the society since 1976. It was in that year that the Matas/Winnipeg Chair in biomedical engineering was established at the Technion.

Matas was a member of the Winnipeg School Board from 1957-61, chairman from 1960-61 and president of the Manitoba Liberal Party in 1966-67.

An occasional lecturer at the University of Manitoba Law School and bar admission courses, Matas also served as a bencher of the Law Society of Manitoba.

In 1977 he chaired a Law Society committee on competency in the legal profession and was since 1979 co-chairman of the Independence of the Judiciary Committee.

Matas is survived by his wife Ruth Gloria, children Susan Tannis Dunn, Carol Rosaline Brask, Saul Jonathan Matas and grandchildren Michael Simon Dunn and Rebeccah Ellen Brask.

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Organizations and People

Baptist minister calls Judaism "false religion"

Missionaries disrupt lecture on proselytizers

By
MARK DODICK

TORONTO — A public lecture on Christian proselytizing among Jews became a theological battleground recently when a half dozen proponents of Christian missionary work attended to debate the speaker and defend their beliefs.

Larry Levey, east coast director of Jews for Judaism (in Baltimore), found himself at the centre of a heated exchange between Jewish and pro-Christian audience members following his presentation on Jews for Jesus: Death of our Heritage.

Levey spoke at Congregation Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am and later in the week on a similar theme at York University.

Sponsored by the Jewish Student Federation, the Jewish Student Union and Toronto Jewish Congress Endowment Fund, the Beth David lecture was a revealing personal discourse on Levey's involvement with Beth Messiah Congregation in Washington and the operation and motivation of missionaries.

During the discussion that followed, Levey was forced by several audience members to defend Judaism and refute what were presented as signs that Jews must inevitably embrace Christianity.

At the same time two women who identified themselves as representatives of the Anglican and Roman Catholic Churches read prepared statements criticizing groups who proselytize amongst Jews and disavowing any relationship with them.

Also in the audience were Steve Cohen, the head of Toronto's Congregation Melech Yisrael, convicted the following day of trespassing at York University, and Rev. Warwick Cooper of Thistletown Baptist Church in Rexdale who told Levey he believes Judaism is a false religion.

"We're not dealing here with an isolated phenomenon," said Levey. "It's a totally organized sophisticated attempt at spiritual genocide.

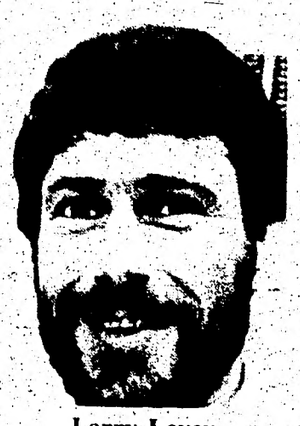
"These groups are funded exclusively by Gentile churches including mainline churches." While certain factions within each institution oppose it, funding does come from the Presbyterian, Lutheran and Southern Baptist Churches, Levey claims.

However, the Roman Catholic and the Episcopalian Churches have refused financial assistance in the U.S., he said.

According to Levey, leaders of the many organizations devoted to converting Jews use deceptive, manipulative and increasingly "cultic" means to attract, recruit and maintain members.

And they have moved from an emphasis on young adults to also seek out children, youths and senior citizens in retirement homes, he added.

In the U.S., Levey says, 60,000 Jews have become affiliated with fundamentalist Christian groups. According to Jews for Judaism's fall 1986 newsletter, Yad L'Achim, an Israeli missionary monitoring organization estimates 5,000 Israelis have been influenced by proselytizers.



Larry Levey

"In a sense my story is the story of a generation that lost its roots to a multi-million dollar Christian organization that works to get converts."

Levey, a lawyer by training, said he came from a Conservative Jewish background "with an attachment to Israel a little greater than that of my Italian friends." He was approached by Christian clients in late 1980 while in California.

Feeling spiritually unfulfilled ("I was looking for a quick fix and Christianity came to the rescue"), and subjected to appealing techniques including an experience interpreted for him as being "born again," Levey entered Jews for Jesus in January 1981. He was out of the movement by November 1982 and today describes himself as modern Orthodox.

Gaining the confidence of Jews for Jesus leaders, he became coordinator for campus outreach in Washington for Congregation Beth Messiah headed by "Rabbi" Dan Juster, a Presbyterian minister.

Juster, Levey told The CJN, is head of the Union of Messianic Jewish Congregations, an international network of 80 Hebrew-Christian churches including Melech Yisrael in Toronto.

Levey's duties included regularly canvassing three universities and sporadically two others with the help of such fundamentalist groups as the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship and the Campus Crusade for Christ, both active here.

His congregation, he says, regularly had 200-300 worshippers and held services somewhat similar to a liberal Jewish congregation including a Torah nobody could read, and "mikvahing people," a euphemism for baptism. (Levey noted he once performed an exorcism in which both he and the demonic victim followed the script of the movie Exorcist).

The group he was affiliated with, Levey continued, operated a day school called Eitz Chaim, daycare centre, nursing homes, and the Shalom Biblical Counseling Centre.

Though Levey does not know how many converts he gained, two of them were his brother and sister, both of whom have since left the movement. He adds that his work with Jews for Judaism has been spurred by his previous activities.

Missionizing techniques, Levey says, are accomplished through encouraging a sense of commonality with the target. Proselytizers wear yarmulkes, call themselves by Hebrew names, use Yiddish expressions and exaggerate their Jewish background.

They selectively use Jewish prophecies to argue for Christianity, and remove themselves from "bad Christians" such as the crusaders.

They claim that accepting Jesus will lead to Jewish fulfilment, not an abandonment of Judaism, and manipulate personal weaknesses while holding out hope for a personal relationship with God.

Tremendous psychological pressure (including "love bombing," and testimonials); a hostility to outside religious establishments; great emphasis on submitting to leadership; guilt and fears of hell; and shunning those who leave, are all used to keep members. These are all the techniques of a cult, says Levey.

The proper response to missionizing groups is to confront them when approached, says Levey.

Ask about their theology, leadership, funding and affiliation. Unlike the Moonies, he says, representatives are usually honest about their origins.

But once the identity of the group is known, Levey advises against further contact or frivilous theological debate.

To get people out of Christian missionary groups, Levey recommends seeking out competent help; maintaining communication and support; and planting seeds of doubt by suggesting alternative explanations.

Jews for Judaism was founded by Rabbi Motty Berger and has offices in Baltimore, Los Angeles and Jerusalem. For more information on Christian missionizing and the work of Jews for Judaism write PO Box 15059, Baltimore Md. 21208.

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Organizations and People

Maple Leafs still the home team

Toronto olim swap gossip at Israel reunion

JERUSALEM — It's probably one of the smallest Toronto directories anywhere — only 470 families are listed.

But for those greeners, it's a link to others in the Holy Land who end their sentences with the obligatory "eh!"

Not too long ago, about 500 ex-Torontonians converged on Moshav Shoresh in the Jerusalem Hills for the first ever reunion of Toronto olim.

The reunion allowed the Bathurst St. expatriates the opportunity to catch up on old gossip, exchange new gossip and update the directory to better enable them to keep in touch with one another.

Sponsored by Toronto Jewish Congress aliya support committee and the Toronto Hometown Group of the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel, the reunion attracted olim from across Israel. The Toronto group is one of almost 40 hometown groups within the AACI, which has 18,000 members who collectively represent 60,000 North Americans in Israel.

James K. Bartleman, Canada's ambassador to Israel, told the olim of his earliest memories of Toronto when as a 5-year-old in 1945 he watched soldiers reuniting with their families at Union Station.

According to the Jerusalem Post, the ambassador "spoke glowingly of the Jewish presence in Toronto and said that Maccabi Tel Aviv notwithstanding, the Toronto Maple Leafs were still 'the home team.'"

Organizer of the event Simcha Edell, chairman of the Toronto Hometown Group, was master of ceremonies for the reunion. Prizes were awarded to a variety of distinguished olim: the oldest oleh, the largest families of olim and the Torontonians living in Israel for the longest and shortest times.

"This is my country. I've been here 16 years and you won't hear me complaining. Good city, Toronto, but Yerushalayim is..." said Michael Rosenbluth, director-general of the Shaare Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem.

Philip Libman, 31, of Petah Tikvah, said "the first 7½ years are the hardest," having been in Israel just that long. At one time a candidate for North York alderman, Libman noted "It's great to see we were able to brainwash so many people in Bnei Akiva."

Deana Fein, overseas liaison of the AACI, read a telegram from Ron Appleby, president of TJC, in which he pledged the TJC to increase further support for Torontonians in Israel.

"There is no greater manifestation of our everlasting bond with Israel than the flourishing of our community members and their children in the Land," Appleby stated.

About 500 one-time Torontonians gathered in Israel for the first ever reunion of Toronto olim, organized by Simcha Edell (left). Also in attendance were James K. Bartleman, Canadian ambassador to Israel and Deana Fein, overseas liaison of the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel.

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National register to record names

Bear witness to Nazi genocide, survivors urged

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

"Don't tell us it didn't happen — we were there," was the theme of an emotional address by Benjamin Meed, a member of the Warsaw Ghetto resistance movement, and president of the Gathering/Federation of Jewish Holocaust Survivors.

Speaking to a Holocaust memorial program at the Lodzer Centre Holocaust Congregation, Meed spoke of the need to bear witness, not only to what happened during World War II, but also to the fact that the Jewish people have survived, and become strong again.

Meed described the stages of the worldwide attempt to deny the tragedy. First, he said, there was silence, not just by a world which had previously abandoned us, but even by the survivors. "Remembering is pain and anguish."

Our enemies, because of our silence, thought that the experience would be first forgotten, and then easily denied. This, he claims, is the tactic of university professors writing pseudo-histories about "the unfortunate death of a few hundred thousand Jews, mostly by disease."

Finally, comes the injunction that "it is time to forget, and to be reconciled," said Meed. This idea leads to the conclusion, espoused by Austrian Chancellor Kurt Waldheim, that the whole thing doesn't matter anyway since "it was war, after all, and there were casualties on both sides."

No longer, asserts Meed, are the survivors remaining silent. In gatherings in Israel, Washington, Philadelphia, Ottawa, and New York, thousands of survivors, their children, and the soldiers who liberated the concentration camps, came together "to bear witness to the past."

The momentum is spreading, and now in every town and city, Meed is proud to say, survivors and their children are coming forward to tell their story, have memorial programs and build institutions and monuments to educate a world too quick to forget.

The Federation of Jewish Holocaust Survivors has created a National Register, part of an international effort in which every survivor and child of survivors will be listed as an enduring witness. The audience was urged to be part of it.

Although Meed is pleased that more attention and sympathy is being given to the Holocaust, he laments the commercialization and vulgarization that occurs. "We must insist on the truth and dignity of our story."

The program, co-sponsored by the Lodzer Centre and the Holocaust Remembrance and Education Committees of Toronto Jewish Congress, also included a dramatic excerpt from a play adapted from Andre Stein's autobiographical Broken Silence, which will be presented by the Inner Stage theatre company in Spring of 1987. Company members Andrew Kelm and Elizabeth Szathmany presented the reading.

The audience responded enthusiastically to Jenny Eisenstein's musical presentation of Holocaust-songs, including the Partisaner Leid which concluded the program.

One of the most moving moments of the afternoon was provided by 10-year-old Tamar Rubinstein, who read her own composition entitled The Grandmother I Never Knew. The poem told simply yet poignantly of the life led in Europe by a young woman killed at Auschwitz at only 43 years of age, but who was survived by five of her six children and now grandchildren and great grandchildren.

The poem symbolized what Lodzer Centre Rabbi David Cooper, as well as Meed had stressed: These memorials are not just a tribute to death, but are a "celebration of the eternal Jewish spirit."

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Dec. 3	Canadian Jewish Congress, Community Action for Israel Committee and Canadian Zionist Federation present Israel Update with Dr. Yosef Lapid. Topic: "Current Trends and Prospects in the Middle East." Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn, 8 p.m.
Dec. 7	Cantorial Concert, Toronto Council of Hazanim, Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St., 8 p.m.
Dec. 8	National Council of Jewish Women, education portfolio meeting. Guest speaker, Howard Lass: "How to Teach the Holocaust to Children." Council House, 4700 Bathurst St., 7:15 p.m.
Dec. 8	Beth Tzedec Synagogue, community lecture with Dr. David Hartman. 1700 Bathurst St., 8 p.m.
Dec. 14	Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am, public lecture with Ronald Appleby, president of Toronto Jewish Congress on "The Toronto Jewish Community: Where are we Headed?" 55 Yeomans Rd., 8 p.m.
Dec. 16	T'nach Study Group, Toronto Jewish Cultural Council, lecturer, Dr. I. Cass, Nachum, Introd. chapters I, II, III, Associated Hebrew School, 3630 Bathurst St., 8:15 p.m.
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When explaining Holocaust, use common sense, care

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Parents should use common sense in telling their children about the Holocaust but should be careful how they do it, a panel of educators agreed here recently.

In a program at Associated Hebrew Schools entitled How Do I Tell My Children About the Holocaust, part of Holocaust Education Month, panelists said parents should respond to children's curiosity about the Holocaust but should follow certain guidelines.

Michael Brown, a humanities professor at York University, urged sense," especially when it comes to the age of the child.

The biggest problem parents face, Brown said, is what to tell and how to tell it. He advised parents should proceed "with the suggestion that there is always more to be learned."

But because Judaism stresses renewal after death, Brown said children should not be "totally enveloped" with the notion of death. "We mourn, and then we get on with life, which is our vocation.

"There are no easy answers but the Holocaust should be seen in the context of Jewish renewal," Brown said.

Harold Lass, a teacher and organizer of Holocaust education programs, said even if parents do not discuss the Holocaust with their children, children will learn about it anyway.

But the danger, Lass warned, is depicting Jews as eternal victims and sufferers. Parents should steer clear of suggesting that Jews have and always will suffer and have been chosen to be perennial scapegoats.

Lass suggested that parents speak about the Holocaust using analogies — alluding to, say, a schoolyard bully or how a classmate of the child might feel when he is singled out and teased by others.

Child psychologist Pearl Karal said the Holocaust "should not be prettied up."

"Don't be afraid to tell your children the truth. Children aren't harmed by the truth. In fact, the truth will strengthen their trust in you," Karal said.

And parents should not let the pain of speaking about the Holocaust get in the way and they should definitely not use guilt as a tool.

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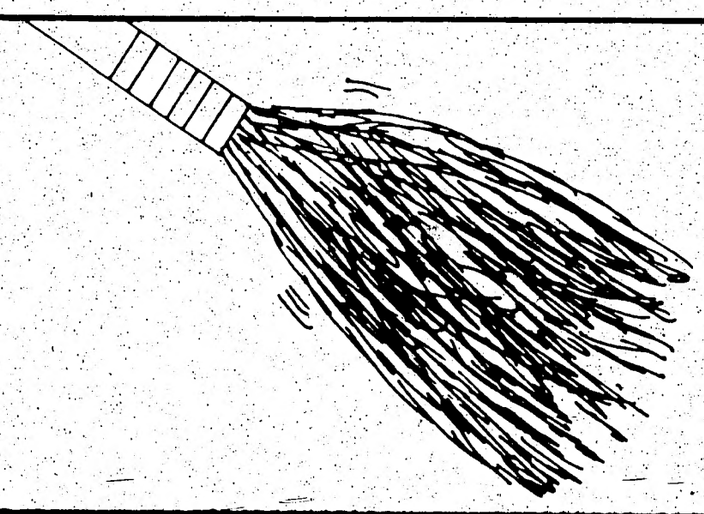

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Kelmans set to celebrate Rav Zvi's 50th yahrzeit

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

Fifty years ago, Harav Zvi Yehuda Kelman, a chassid and tzadik (a pious and righteous man), died at the age of 40.

Although he had lived in Toronto for only eight years, the unassuming and humble rabbi influenced a generation of students and Torah scholars. His gentle nature and passionate love of learning left a great impression on his children and many people in the community who still remember him well.

On Sunday, Nov. 30, more than 200 family members and friends will attend the Tribute to a Spiritual Pioneer brunch at the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Congregation. They will gather to honor the memory of the modest and loving rabbi who was born in 1896 in the Galician shtetl of Wisniowczyk, into a family of seven generations of unbroken rabbinic leadership.

In 1914, already an accomplished young scholar, he and his family, like many other refugees, fled to Vienna. He joined a select group of young men studying with the famed Gaon Reb Meir Arak.

He came to Canada in 1928. The young rabbi was immediately appointed Rosh Yeshiva of Toronto's Eitz Chaim Talmud Torah and the rabbi of the Husiatiner Kloiz synagogue. Later, he served as spiritual leader of the Berkley Street Shul along with several other small synagogues.

Rabbi Nachman Shemen, the executive director of the Kashruth Council of the Canadian Jewish Congress, became an intimate friend of Kelman. He says he admired the rabbi's way of thinking, his manner, and his exemplary behavior. "He was an optimistic person who was full of faith."

Shemen says that Rav Kelman had a dream — to create a great yeshiva in Toronto. "He attracted a number of youths with good heads for learning, to study with devotion Gemarah, commentaries on the Talmud, and halacha.

"His spiritual influence remains. In a brief period, he left an unequaled impression, with his method of learning, his manner with people, and his charismatic personality — in the full sense of the word."

Harry Botnick, a prominent lawyer, was a student of Kelman. He says he remembers the rabbi not only as an outstanding teacher but as a scholar with a very warm and caring personality who was friendly to people in all walks of life.

Revered by his six children, in 1973 they published a book titled. Moreshet Avot with the scholarly writings of their father Zvi Yehuda and grandfather Rabbi Yitzchok Kelman, as a memorial to them. In the preface of the book they write, "We would like succeeding generations to know of them, to be aware of their origin and more specifically to take pride in their forebears."

Rabbi Abraham Kelman, the oldest son who is the rabbi of Prospect Park Jewish Centre in Brooklyn, NY, and the founder and dean of a day school for girls say that when his father came to the new land, he never deviated from his way of life.

"He had high principles for himself and treated everyone with love and respect. My father observed every minute detail of Jewish law with great zest and joy that was contagious. He brought a new experience to Toronto."

He recalls that despite economic hardships, their home was always open to visitors and students, many coming to celebrate the holidays with the family. At times, he notes, the children had to give up their beds to make room for a guest — some would spend weeks or months at the Kelman home.

Harav Zvi Yehuda Kelman

Rabbi Wolfe Kelman who is the executive vice-president of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, recalls his father's love of learning. "He treated his students with paternal closeness and although he was meticulous in his observance of the laws, he never imposed his disciplines on his family or those around him."

As a young boy, Rabbi Joseph Kelman, spiritual leader of Toronto's Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Congregation, recalls that one Sunday morning, he and the other children were studying with their father when two young men who were going from house to house to collect money for a needy family, deliberately passed the Kelman house "because they knew of our economic situation and would not come to ask Father for a contribution.

"Father sent one of the children out to tell the two gentlemen that in spite of his own hardships, he did not consider himself free from the mitzvah of giving tzedakah (charity)."

A devoted teacher who frequently fasted, Reb Zvi Yehuda Kelman would conduct classes from 6 to 8 a.m. and he would also teach into the evenings which was rare at that time.

"He and our grandfather serve as models for the perpetuation of historic rabbinic leadership," says Rabbi Joseph Kelman who notes that his son Jay, who recently received smicha (ordination) from Yeshivah University, is a ninth generation rabbi, and other grandchildren are also rabbis.

Rabbi Zvi Yehuda Kelman and his wife Miril had three daughters, Celia Silber of New York City, the late Tobie Silverman of Hamilton, and Clare Goldstein of Binghampton, NY. There are 20 grandchildren.

"Rav Zvi Yehuda exemplified the best of Polish-Galician Judaism," says Shemen. 'He had the ability to lead the young generation on a new path of learning, of Jewish knowledge, and Yiddishkeit. May his soul be bound in the bond of eternity."

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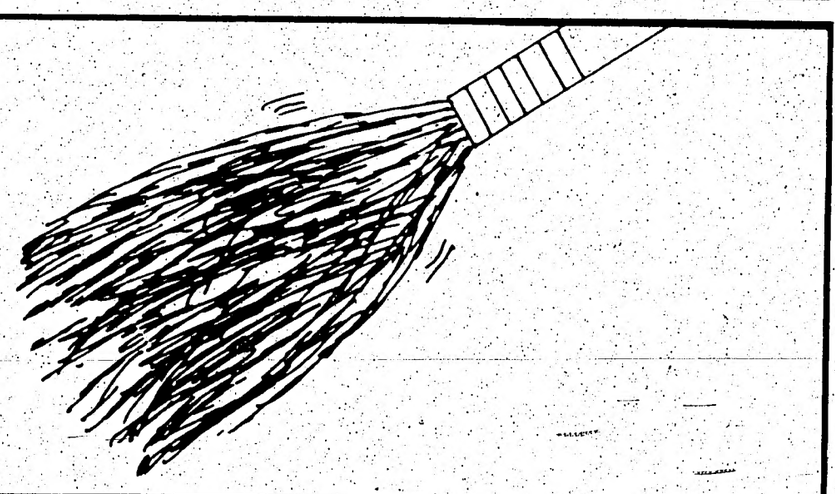

Organizations and People

Kwinter's anecdotes keep breakfast meeting lively

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO —
A speech spiced with anecdotes about life as a Jewish cabinet minister and simmered with a serious message about justice was made at a recent breakfast gathering of the Council of Jewish Brotherhoods of Metropolitan Toronto and Vicinity.

Monte Kwinter, Ontario's minister of consumer and commercial relations, drew laughter from the crowd of about 300 when he told of how being a member of the Jewish community as well as the provincial cabinet have sometimes resulted in some "interesting situations."

For example, during negotiations for expanding kosher wine sales, Kwinter's receptionist appeared in his office one day to let him know he had visitors.

"Mr. Minister, there's a group of Mennonites waiting," she told him.

"Mennonites? I'm not expecting any Mennonites," said Kwinter in a puzzled tone. He looked out the door and there waiting patiently for him were four Orthodox rabbis dressed in traditional garb.

When Kwinter asked her how she could have mistaken the rabbis, the embarrassed receptionist, who had a different perception of what rabbis were like, insisted: "Well, I've seen lots of rabbis but I've never seen rabbis like that!".

On another occasion during the same negotiations, Kwinter told of how he was one day visited at his Wilson-Heights constituency office by an Orthodox woman who wanted to discuss some business about kosher wine.

But all through the meeting she seemed totally distracted and she kept looking at Kwinter's doors.

Monte Kwinter

Finally she could contain herself no longer.

"Mr. Kwinter I'd like to ask a favor," she said to the minister in Yiddish. "Would you object if I put a mezuzah on your door?"

The minister nodded approval and the woman soon returned with her son who put up mezuzahs on all his doors.

A month later Kwinter was having a meeting with other members of the Jewish community at his downtown office, when his guests began making similar anxious glances at his doors.

"Can I ask a favor?" one of the visitors finally ventured.

"Don't ask!" said Kwinter, who was already wise to what they wanted. "Go ahead and put the mezuzahs on my doors!"

On a more serious note, Kwinter told the audience at the Beth Tzedec Synagogue of his ministry's interest and concern in maintaining the delicate balance of justice for the consumer and the business person.

"I've discovered justice for the consumer may not be perceived as justice by the business person," said Kwinter.

"And that is the genius of government — to walk the fine line between imposing such harsh regimes that businesses can't function and such lax ones that the consumer gets ripped off."

Kwinter, who said he has to be sensitive to the rights and responsibilities of all the groups he represents, described his government's efforts in maintaining a fair balance of justice in areas of freedom of information, consumer protection and regulation of financial services.

Justice is the "endless search for the fair balance of the differing interests of society," said the 55-year-old politician, who overseas the administration of 78 provincial laws.

He also spoke of how justice affects Jews.

"The history of Jews has taught us the importance of justice," he said. "There'll be no more pogroms, no more holocausts as long as we live in a just society."

But, "like charity, justice has to begin in the home. Groups like this Council of Jewish Brotherhoods demonstrate that we can set aside our differences and promote understanding. Only through this kind of understanding can we hope to obtain justice for all branches of Judaism."

And for justice to thrive, he added, "We must also look beyond our own religious group.

"As Woodrow Wilson said: Unless justice be done to others, it will not be done to us."

Eliminate nukes, physicians say

TORONTO —
A delegation of 10 Canadian physicians recently returned from a 2-week visit to the Soviet Union.

The physicians, all members of the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (which won the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize), were invited by their Soviet counterparts, who had been here last year.

At the conclusion of this past visit, both groups signed a communique outlining the need "to eliminate the distrust which is at the heart of the nuclear arms race."

The communique states: "Being aware of the fallibility of modern technology, as exemplified by the tragedies of Chernobyl and the space shuttle Challenger, we are convinced that survival of the human race can only be guaranteed by completely ridding the world of nuclear weapons.

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At Zaglembier Society UJA luncheon are from the left, Alter Pomocnik, Joe Kichler, Yaki Eshel of Keren Hayesod Missions Dept., Rebeka Bialystock and Ben Eisenstein.

Allan Offman, past campaign chairman of UJA and now Deputy Chairman of the Board of United Israel Appeal, was guest speaker at last week's leadership breakfast meeting.

In a brief address, Allan succintly spelled out UJA's critical role in providing a cash flow which the Jewish Agency allocates to alleviate the needs of "people living on the edge."

An ardent advocate for UJA's primacy as the major fundraising organization of the Jewish community, he reiterated the urgency of maintaining primacy throughout UJA's campaign period.

"Toronto is the only city to allow other fundraising campaigns during UJA time," he said.

In a question from the floor, one of the divisional chairmen asked about the possibility of "turning off" from UJA, people who wish to support Israeli-based institutions which approach them for funds during UJA's campaign period.

Allan didn't hesitate in replying that both Israel and the local community "couldn't do without UJA. All the other fundraising endeavors, while important, are secondary by comparison."

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Carol Kassel, who with **Alan Sandler** is heading up Clean Sweep Week beginning Sunday, December 7, also addressed the breakfast meeting, asking the chairmen to set aside specific evenings for their divisions, and getting their canvassers to come out.

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The Insurance Division campaign is coming along very nicely, thanks to Chairman **Mel Gilbert** and his associates **Al Green, Sheldon Taerk** and **Marvin Miller.** Canvassers representing both general and life insurance, include: **Leon King, Joel Rose, Fred Shore, Buddy Dick, Sheldon Hildebrand, Ralph Newstadt** and **Bunny Bergstein.**

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Jews of Hungarian Descent held their annual UJA breakfast and telethon at the Lipa Green Building two weeks ago.

President **Armin Weiss** was present along wth **Miklos Winkler, Dr. Imre Farkas, Vera Feleki, Miki Garay, Eugene Jacob, Josef Klein, Willy Reiss, Agnes Serenyi, Tibor Stern, Leslie** and **Magda Trattner** and **Jeno Weiss.**

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Wish we'd been there! We're talking about the program a few weeks ago, arranged under the joint auspices of the Business & Professional Women's Network and Young Leadership Division.

The guest speaker was **Peter Sichrovsky**, author and lecturer, whose topic "Jews under Waldheim--the second time around" attracted 160 young men and women.

Sichrovsky, who makes his home in Vienna, came under a lot of flak from the audience after he finished speaking, and fielded questions and criticisms quite well, we're told.

Some of the questioners, children of Holocaust survivors, wondered how a Jew could continue to live in a country that was one of the first to embrace Nazism and whose Jewish population had been decimated.

Austria and Vienna in particular, had been home to some of the greatest Jewish thinkers and innovaters of the 20th century.

Sichrovsky justified his position, stating that Vienna was his home, where his family and friends are and where he earns his living. He added that the Jewish community which now numbers 10,000 has begun to flourish again with new religious schools and organizations.

Sounds like a great evening.

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Toronto was very well represented at the recent 55th General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations in Chicago.

Ron Appleby, Toronto Jewish Congress President, was GA Chairman, the first Canadian to be accorded that signal honor, and did us proud.

He addressed the opening Plenary session focussing his remarks on the importance of Jewish unity and tolerance.

Our own **Adrienne Offman** handed out the PR awards "in front of the biggest audience I've ever appeared before," she said. Was she nervous? Of course, but carried out her assigned task in true show biz tradition.

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The November edition of the Jewish Students' Enquirer which touts itself as "Toronto's largest Jewish newspaper for and by Jewish young adults," has a feature article by **Karen Anthony** urging students to support UJA.

The newspaper, funded in part by the University of Toronto Student's Administrative Council, is also circulated at York University, Ryerson Polytechnical Institute and Seneca College.

Now that the student campaign is about to get under way, we appreciate the coverage in our behalf.

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There are now two events to remember on Sunday, December 7--Pearl Harbour **and** the beginning of **Clean Sweep Week.**

Organizations and People

Famed "rescuer" Aaron Lansky to speak

Campaign to collect Yiddish books will begin

TORONTO —

Aaron Lansky, the founder and director of the National Yiddish Book Centre in Amherst, Mass., will inaugurate a campaign to collect unwanted and discarded Yiddish books in Toronto with a public lecture at 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 27 at Beth Tikvah Synagogue.

The centre, a non-profit agency, has already rescued more than 600,000 Yiddish books from cellars, attics, synagogues and cultural centres throughout North America.

The lecture, organized by composer Srul Irving Glick, is co-sponsored by Beth Tikvah Synagogue, Friends of Yiddish and The Committee for Yiddish of the Toronto Jewish Congress.

Organizers believe that thousands of urgently needed Yiddish volumes can be recovered in the greater Toronto area. Yiddish literature once enjoyed enormous popularity among the area's immigrant Jewish population.

Sets of Sholom Aleichem, I. L. Peretz and other Yiddish classics were to be found in almost every Jewish home. In later years, however, assimilation took its toll. Books which had been treasured by parents and grandparents were often packed away and forgotten by a new generation of Canadian-born Jews, who read no Yiddish.

Today, after a gap of almost 50 years, Yiddish is experiencing a startling revival. Courses in Yiddish language and literature have been introduced at more than sixty North American universities.

Lansky, 31, was a graduate of Yiddish literature at McGill University in Montreal when he founded the National Yiddish Book Centre in 1980.

Six years before that Lansky, then an undergraduate in Jewish studies at Hampshire College, realized that he could neither read nor learn what he needed without a working knowledge of Yiddish.

So he and some fellow students began studying Yiddish with Jules Piccus, a professor of medieval Spanish literature at the University of Massachusetts.

But it wasn't until he was a graduate student at McGill that he discovered how rare such libraries were; it was nearly impossible for him and his colleagues to find Yiddish books to read for Pro. Ruth Wisse's graduate seminar.

Lansky and his friends canvassed the Jewish neighborhoods of Montreal, knocking on doors, asking in Yiddish if the people who lived there could lend them some books.

During the past six years, he and his coworkers have criss-crossed the continent, organizing volunteers and rescuing priceless Yiddish volumes in communities both large and small.

On one occasion, Lansky took a midnight train to New York City to rescue 8,000 Yiddish books from a rain-soaked garbage dumpster. Another time, he and his co-workers were assisted by 20 local Black and Puerto Rican teenagers as they hauled 10,000 Yiddish volumes from the rubble of a demolished building in the South Bronx.

Lansky's work has attracted worldwide attention, and has been characterized as "one of the greatest cultural rescue efforts of modern times."

He was chosen by Esquire Magazine in 1984 in its first annual register of The Best of the New Generation: Men and Women Under 40 Who Are Changing America.

His talk in Toronto will include slides and stories of his many adventures on the road. At the same time, he will announce specifics of the Toronto campaign and reflect on the meaning of Yiddish culture for a new generation.

The lecture, at Beth Tikvah, 3080 Bayview Ave., is free and open to the public.

Individuals wishing to donate Yiddish books are asked to contact the area collection coordinator, Laurie Brown, at 444-7015. Door-to-door pick-up service is available.

UJA panel to focus on the decrease in volunteerism

TORONTO —

With so many women joining the work force, the current status of volunteerism and its diminishing ranks is a topic for concern to government, the community and the many organizations and institutions which have come to depend on the volunteer sector for an increasing variety of important jobs.

That is the theme for an evening program arranged under auspices of United Jewish Appeal Business and Professional Women's Network on Wednesday, Dec. 3 at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, beginning at 7.30 p.m.

Each of the three panelists — Elinor Caplan MPP, who stepped in for Lily Munro, minister of citizenship and culture, when Mrs. Munro found she would be unable to appear; Reconstructionist Rabbi Deborah Brin of Temple Darchei Noam; and Anne Golden, campaign director, United Way of Greater Toronto — will focus on a specific aspect of volunteerism.

The government view of the volunteer sector will be discussed by Mrs. Caplan, Rabbi Brin will bring the perspective of tzedakah to her portion of the program, while Golden will speak of the constructive power women can exercise collectively as volunteers in the community.

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Speak in language of emotions

Dreams reveal much, says interpreter Gold

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO —
A man once came to New York psychologist Leo Gold with a disturbing dream of awakening in the dark and stepping out of bed into a coffin.

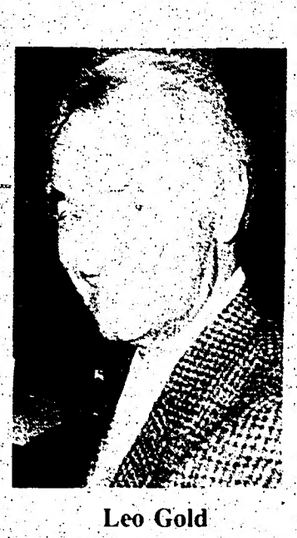
The client, in his 20s, didn't know what the dream meant and he was frightened. He wanted Gold, an international expert on dreamwork, to interpret his dream.

To help him understand it, the man was instructed to imagine Gold was in the room with him and that when he stepped out of bed into the coffin, Gold would turn on the light.

Gold then asked his client to describe what he saw.

As soon as the man imagined the light was on, he quickly saw he wasn't stepping into a coffin but onto an end table located in a room that had once been his grandmother's. She was someone he had disliked and she had died in that room.

Gold, recently in Toronto to conduct a dream interpretation and therapy workshop, for the Alfred Adler Institute of Ontario, interpreted the man's dream to be his lingering fear of punishment because he had hated his grandmother who had been very cruel towards him as a child.



Leo Gold

"He was caught in the fear and guilt from the past," says the 62-year-old therapist at New York's Adler Institute.

Gold, who travels frequently to lecture on dreamwork, has spent the last two decades working on a system of dream interpretation based on Adlerian ideas which take a holistic, social, goal-oriented and humanistic approach to psychotherapy.

He has developed therapies such as dreamodrama in which clients bring dreams to therapy sessions and group members act them out.

Dreaming, says Gold, is the most direct expression of our thoughts and occurs during both sleep and waking hours.

"Dreams are very simply a continuation of a day's thoughts. They deal with ongoing issues of the life of an individual. They may have to deal with: "Should I go shopping tomorrow?" or "Read a book?" "Shall I create a work of art?", or "What should I make for dinner?"

Dreams at night, like waking thought, contain "both that which is important and that which is insignificant," and what a person remembers of the dream is considered the most important part of it.

Gold says dreams contain their own language which not only consists of the words people speak but their emotions, affects and the totality of how a person subjectively experiences himself in the world.

There are also many symbols which he describes as being a kind of shorthand — a computer "microchip" of condensed information. Each symbol may have different meanings for different people, says Gold, who must carefully assess an individual's personal, social and cultural background before making a dream interpretation.

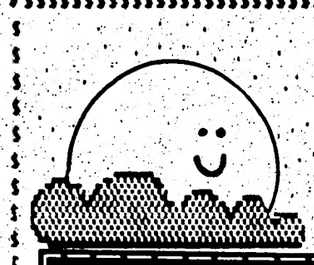
For example, the color red could symbolize violence in the dream of a North American, but to a Chinese person it might be the color of good luck.

Dreaming of cows might be interpreted as dreaming of females or a sign the dreamer may be a male chauvinist who keeps his distance from women, Gold says.

Dreaming of falling might be a sign of anxiety — a feeling of losing control over a situation. Or it could be the person can't find a solution to something important.

People who dream they can fly often may have high ambitions or a need to be above others, Gold says. They may also want to have a larger view of life, or may simply be planning to take a trip.

Gold, who is working on a book on dream interpretation and therapy, says the use of dreamwork is an effective tool in therapy.



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To help abused women

New cookbook to raise funds for Schlifer Clinic

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

The news media seem to be full of stories of women encountering violence; they are sexually assaulted, beaten or subject to incest.

But what happens to these women after the headline-grabbing event?

One option for battered women is the Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic, a 1-stop office at 188 Dupont St. where female victims of violence and harassment can receive everything from supportive counseling to legal advice.

It take money to operate the clinic, and three lawyers associated with it, Anita Fineberg, Joan Garson and Carol MacPherson, hit on the idea of producing a cookbook as a fund raising tool.

In Good Time, Fine Fast Food in Under an Hour is the result — a cookbook composed of recipes collected from friends, family and business associates containing recipes which take no more than one hour to prepare.

"We all like to cook," Garson says. "Everybody has some great recipes and deep down everyone thinks she could write a cookbook.

"We all come from families in which our parents were involved in fund raising. There's a history of charity cookbook writing in the Jewish community."

The members of the cookbook committee donated their time and skills — graphic design, illustrating and copy editing — as well as the "traditional skills of cooking and entertaining."

About 400-500 recipes were tested and 200 selected for the book based on their quality and originality.

The goal of the committee is to raise $60,000. Funds will go to support the clinic's programs, which include supportive counseling, short term therapy, providing legal information, referrals to lawyers practicing family or criminal law and dispensing information on shelters, jobs and financial assistance.

According to statistics provided by the clinic, a woman in Canada is raped, on average, every 17 minutes while wife assault occurs in 10% of Canadian homes. One-quarter of girls experience some sort of sexual abuse by age 15 while more than 50% of women are sexually harrassed at work.

The clinic, now in its second year of operation, is named for Barbra Schlifer, who was sexually assaulted and murdered on April 11, 1980, the day she was called to the Ontario Bar.

Two of Schlifer's friends, Patricia Ashby and Frances Rapaport, established the clinic in her memory. It is designed to fill the gaps in existing service agencies and is unique in the comprehensive services it offers. Its staff includes a lawyer, a social worker, a client advocate and an intake worker, who together provide free information, counseling and legal assistance, as well as research and public education on violence against women.

At $14.95 *In Good Times* is available at Toronto Women's Bookstore, 73 Harbord, Cabbagetown Butcher Shop, 464 Parliament, The Cookbook Store, 850 Yonge St., Grant's Fine China and Gifts, 970 Eglinton Ave. W and 5863 Leslie. More Than Cabbages, 317 Carlton St. and at the clinic.

For more information, contact the clinic at 964-2188.

Shylock concerns detailed

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

The concern about the teaching of Shakespeare's The Merchant of Venice is not whether the playwright and the play are or aren't anti-semitic but rather with the effect of the play and particularly its villain Shylock, says a Canadian Jewish Congress official.

The concern reached a sort of climax in Ontario's Waterloo County in the spring of this year.

Speaking to a symposium following the opening night performance of the play by the York University Theatre Department at Atkinson College, Bernie Farber, director of research for the CJC Ontario Region's department of community relations, explained that area parents were worried after anti-semitic incidents in the schools following each teaching of the play.

In 1984, the situation reached such a state that Dr. Monna Zentner of Kitchener and the Coalition for Educational Quality in Waterloo County, felt that it was essential to take action.

They petitioned the Board of Education to move the play from the intermediate high school curriculum to the senior section, when students would be older and supposedly more able to handle it, and to have teachers given training in teaching racially sensitive material.

At no time, stressed Farber, was there any attempt to censor or ban the play, actions "outside Jewish tradition."

Reaction to the petition was strong. Teachers saw it as an attack on their ability to properly handle their classes, and the press jumped on it as an attack on free speech.

It is interesting, noted Farber, that when the Black community successfully made a similar petition concerning Huckleberry Finn, which they considered derogatory, there was no hue and cry. "Perhaps the press felt that with Jews involved it was more of a story."

What the critics failed to realize, said Farber, was "that young, impressionable kids were hurt and slandered."

The hurt was dramatically illustrated to the audience by tape recordings made of student presentations to the Waterloo County Board of Education, relating hurtful and insulting behavior they had suffered from the hands of those they had considered friends.

The board, impressed with the presentations by the students, as well as by their parents, decided that indeed the play should be taught in upper grades only, and also that the play should not be taught at all until guidance was received from the Ontario Human Rights Commission. A response is expected later this year.

Farber recognizes that The Merchant of Venice is a legitimate piece of theatre, and does not advocate banning its production. However, in response to questions from the audience, he pointed out that people must be made aware of the play's emphasis on Shylock as not merely being a cruel, unfeeling person, but specifically a cruel, unfeeling Jew.

It is to York University's Theatre Department's credit, Farber told The CJN, that it approached the Canadian Jewish Congress for a program on the problems associated with the play.

The producers decided to set the play, not in 16th century Venice, but in 1932 Germany, which added an extra dimension to its view of Jews. The production, although perhaps lacking the sharpness of a professional effort, was extremely effective.

The atmosphere was heightened by the simple, almost stark set designs of Phillip Silver, and by the actual placing of the actors in the middle of the theatre, with the audience ranged on either side.

Orot principal to see candidates

TORONTO —

Rabbi Yehuda Felix, principal of Israel's Orot College for Women, will give several shiurs at Bnei Torah Congregation on Saturday, Nov. 29. He will be in town to interview candidates at Ulpanat Orot High School for the college.

Rabbi Yehuda Felix

Rabbi Felix, a Bnei Akiva shaliach in Toronto a number of years ago, was founding rosh yeshiva (dean) of the religious Zionist movement's schools here, Yeshivat Or Chaim for boys and Ulpanat Orot for girls.

Orot College was founded in 1978 as an extension of Ulpanat Orot. "Overseas students participate in a unique program that integrates North American and Israeli students," said an Orot spokesman. "Its courses stress the application of Jewish law and tradition in approaching current issues in mental health, education and social work."

For more information on the program for overseas students, phone the Toronto Mizrachi office, (416) 630-7575.

The college is located in Elkana (several miles northeast of Petach Tikva), D. N. Harei Ephraim 44801; telephone 03/9362174/5.

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Next May's Hapoel Games to host top athletes

By
DAVID LAZARUS

MONTREAL — The 13th International Hapoel Games, to take place in Israel next May 4-11, a year before the Olympic Games in Korea, are the Israeli Olympics.

Olympic-calibre athletes from around the world are expected to participate. Unlike the Maccabiah Games, however, you don't have to be Jewish to compete.

But you do have to be top-calibre. From an international and Israeli perspective, that prerequisite makes the Hapoel Games a prestigious and publicity-grabbing media event.

The history of the Hapoel Games is rooted very much in the history of the Jewish state, or more precisely, in that of the Histadrut, Israel's labor federation.

The Hapoel Games began as a means of promoting sports activity among Histadrut members, five years after the organization was founded in 1921.

Launched as a movement that decried competition, its slogan was "thousands and not champions." But by the 5th games in 1952 (following a 16-year hiatus because of World War II and the War of Independence) it became a truly competitive international event, with Finland, Switzerland, France and Turkey also participating.

The games' revised slogan became "thousands and champions."

The quadrennial competition has evolved into Israel's major international sporting event.

Organized by Hapoel, Israel's largest sports association with 1,183 clubs and 150,000 registered members, the games are held under the auspices of the Israeli Olympic Committee and the Israeli Sports Federation and are run in accordance with Olympic regulations.

Athletes from participating nations are invited to attend throught their national Olympic committees, international sports federations or approved sports associations.

At the 12th Hapoel Games in 1983, 1,700 nationally and world-ranked athletes from 31 countries vied for medals. Major competing nations included the U.S., Mexico and most of Western Europe. Five thousand Israelis also took part.

World class athletes have included American swimmers David MacCagg and Rowdy Gaines, West German high jumper Ulrike Meyfarth and weightlifter Isaac Berger.

Canada has sent its own contingent since 1975. Hapoel Games record setters for Canada include swimmer Ann Ottenbrite and Barbara McBain. Canada hopes to enter about 100 more athletes in the 87 games, which will have a full slate of sporting events.

A reception held recently in Montreal to honor Hapoel Games and Isaac Ofek, Israel's Olympic Committee president, also served to kick off a campaign to organize a local games committee and to heighten public awareness.

Ofek stressed the need for local organizers to mobilize a committee to help offset financial costs and become active in various aspects of preparing for the games from the Canadian side.

Sid Kastner, who is overseeing the organization of the committee and is the man in charge in Canada, pointed to the prestige of the games and to the participation of world class athletes as particular incentives for involvement.

"We hope to field a full complement of athletes, all recognized at a national level. That's why it's so important to have a committee that can publicize, earn recognition and help raise money for the games," he said.

Kastner also pointed out that the Hapoel Games, while non-sectarian, are structured in a 2-tier system. Participation in certain events is restricted to organizations affiliated with the International Labor Sports Federation, of which Hapoel is a member.

The vast majority of events, he said, are open to all the qualified athletes of the world.

During the games, Israel will celebrate its 39th Independence Day and President Chaim Herzog will officiate at the opening ceremonies before 50,000 spectators at the National Stadium in Ramat Gan. Events will take place in venues throughout the country.

For further information about the games, contact Sid Kastner at (514) 366-2170 or Michael Meyer at (514) 735-1593. In Toronto, call Hy Fogelman at (416) 630-9444.

In Israel, more information is available by writing to Isaac Ofek, president of the organizing committee, at PO Box 7170, Tel Aviv, 61071, Israel.

HERB CHARLES AWARD

Rachel Aronov, flanked by husband Joseph and Jacqueline Edelson, director of the Joseph E. and Minnie Wagman Centre, proudly displays the plaque presented to her as winner of the 6th annual Herb Charles Award. The award, named after the late Baycrest Hospital patient, is given to the Wagman Centre swim program participant who has displayed special courage, providing incentive and encouragement for others. Aronov, 64, who injured her back and neck in March 1984, is determined to walk again. The award was presented at the recent Wagman Centre Fitness Awards ceremonies.

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First to preserve buildings, Swartz honored by mayor

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
H. Max Swartz is no stranger to accolades.

As a founding member of the YM-YWHA, a member of the national executive of Canadian Jewish Congress, a director of the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto and a past president of the Jewish Immigrant Aid Services, Swartz has earned the respect and admiration of the Jewish community.

Swartz was scheduled to receive another award — this time coming from the Toronto mayor's office. It is not his devotion to Jewish causes that garnered Swartz that award, but his foresight in investing his money in the city of Toronto and helping spur a renewal of the city's downtown core area.

Swartz was one of the first to realize the potential of preserving buildings in the downtown area, says Naish McHugh, industrial liaison for the city. When others were requesting demolition permits, Swartz was trying to preserve the core buildings.

"The mayor felt, given his grand age, it might be something nice to recognize this at an awards ceremony Nov. 25."

It all started for Swartz back in 1952. Already a practicing lawyer for 21 years, Swartz decided to find a good property investment. Unlike his peers — but like others who ignore conventional wisdom — Swartz took a chance and sunk his money into an old, rundown warehouse building on Front St.

Refurbishing and upgrading the property came next with the result that the triangular "flat iron" Gooderham Worts Building (since sold by Swartz) now stands as a downtown landmark at the junction of Front and Wellington Streets — the heart of a now trendy district.

In the 1950s, however, the area was occupied by decaying structures and faced bleak prospects.

From there it was onto other projects, other renovations, with his sons Myron and Paul aiding him.

From 1952-75 "we did about five buildings in the area," Swartz says. His philosophy at the time was that "it's just as far from Yonge to Jarvis as it is from Yonge to Bay St." If the prestigious property west of Yonge is worth something, eventually Jarvis will be too.

At first "everybody thought I was nuts," he recalls. "Even my tenants ridiculed me." They were wrong. Despite inexpensive rents, "the properties just carried themselves, and time took care of the rest."

Following Swartz's lead, other developers and entrepreneurs rushed in and Front St. received a new face.

At 86, Swartz, a one-time lawyer and community leader, is now retired. But he still maintains an office in another building he and his sons have renovated. Sitting in that spacious office, cluttered with paintings he has collected through the years, and with an industrial bare brick wall on one side and a high-beamed ceiling overhead, Swartz smiles with satisfaction.

H. Max Swartz

His office happens to be in the old Toronto Carpet Factory in Parkdale, not surprisingly a once rundown area that is now making a comeback. Like his project on Front St., Swartz and his sons took a chance on the factory at King and Fraser.

For Swartz, it is especially sweet to be the gvir of that building. In 1918, "when times were tough," he got a job in that very factory as roller of cloth, eventually to become an inspector of yard goods.

Always an admirer of the building's architecture, Swartz and his boys purchased it in 1975. Their refurbishing approach again sparked a trend, and the area is now "being improved," he says.

While he naturally takes pride in his contributions to civic improvement, it's his connection to the YMHA that is his "pride and joy."

Swartz was there on day 1 — even before. Back in 1919 the YMCA on College St. near Yonge announced it would not renew the membership of its Jewish participants.

Swartz says he believes anti-semitism was not the motivating factor that prompted the announcement. Rather, in those days, the YMCA was a sort of Sunday school that taught Bible studies from a Christian viewpoint — and those facilties took priority.

A meeting of Jews was soon held at the Strand Theatre on Yonge. Several hundred people showed up and Swartz, then representing the youth contingent, was one of several speakers to talk about the need for a phys ed facility for Jews.

Committees were established and an association of various Jewish clubs (such as the Hebrew Literary and Athletic Club) was set up. Joint meetings were held in the Zionist Centre Institute on Beverley St. and Cecil, then the centre of Toronto Jewish life.

In 1923 the group rented premises above shops on Brunswick and College. While at ground level Weltz's Delicatessen, a bowling alley and a theatre did business, upstairs the Y sported a gym and several meeting rooms.

The facilties were primitive, says Swartz. "We had two kinds of water, cold and colder."

Eventually, nearby rooms owned by the Talmud Torah were used and more buildings were purchased to meet the Y's growing needs.

As a board member from the start, Swartz has seen the Y grow to Bloor and Spadina in the 50s and then even farther north to Willowdale in the 70s.

Speaking of the executives he is familiar with, Swartz says: "The people associated with the Y are dedicated people. They attain office not for any glory, but because they want to make a contribution."

That just about sums up H. Max Swartz too.

Former Bonds head now consultant in fund raising

TORONTO —
Seymour Aaron, former executive director of Canada-Israel Securities Limited (State of Israel Bonds), recently established a fund raising and public relations consultant service.

Aaron said he decided to start National Fund Raising Consultants as he saw the need for a professional to assist organizations in publicity and fund raising. He is working with Bill Stern, former assistant executive director of the Weizmann Institute of Science.

Prior to starting his own firm, Aaron was with Canada-Israel Securities Ltd. for 18 years, first as national public relations director in Montreal for eight years and later as executive director based in Toronto. In the latter capacity he had the largest per capita production of any city in the world and was only surpassed dollar-wise by New York and Los Angeles, he told The CJN.

Before coming to Israel Bonds, Seymour Aaron was a chemist with Shell Oil Company, advertising and sales promotion manager with an automotive and sporting goods retail chain in Montreal and president of Seymour Aaron Advertsising in Montreal.

In the Jewish community, Seymour Aaron has held various positions in Mount Royal Lodge, which is B'nai B'rith's largest lodge in Canada.

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Etkin: "International cooperation between academics"

Toronto prof.'s role adds to BGU connection

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO — The University of Toronto and Ben-Gurion University of the Negev may be thousands of kilometres apart, but in some ways they couldn't be closer.

In the mid-1970s, Ben-Gurion sent Gabi Ben-Dor, one of its finest engineering students, to U of T to work on his doctorate degree in aerospace studies.

Later, U of T's Bernard Etkin, professor emeritus of aerospace studies and the university's former engineering dean, taught a course at Ben-Gurion and helped prepare a review on the Israeli university's academic standards.

More recently, Etkin was elected to Ben-Gurion's board of governors, while Ben-Dor, now

Prof. Bernard Etkin

on Ben-Gurion's faculty, has continued to visit U of T during sabbaticals, working in its world-renowned shock tube lab on shock wave research and conducting seminars for U of T students.

"It's a nice example of an international cooperation between academics," says Etkin. "Of course, for me, personally, because it's an Israeli university, it gives it a special dimension."

The "Ben-Gurion connection," as Etkin fondly refers to it, began in 1976 when mechanical engineering student Ben-Dor flew from Israel to do his PhD under Prof. Irving Glass at U of T. Prior to that, Ozer Igra, another Israeli student, had done similar graduate work under Glass and later returned to Israel becoming dean of the engineering science faculty at Ben-Gurion.

In 1985, it was U of T's turn to have a faculty member visit Ben-Gurion.

Receiving a grant to start up research in aeronautics, Ben-Gurion invited Etkin, one of the world's foremost authorities on flight mechanics, to instruct a spring course in airplane stability and control.

Etkin had no sooner returned home to Toronto when he received another call from Ben-Gurion this time to join an international committee being formed to review the 19-year-old university's academic standards. He accepted and flew back in last December.

"The university had been going through a very difficult time — a financial crisis that was very serious, and there was some uneasiness on the board of governors of not having any means of appraising the academic quality of the organization." As a result, the board wanted to know how the university was faring.

Although there was some initial apprehension among Ben-Gurion staff over the review, the trepidation turned to respect as the international team of 21, all experts on academics, reviewed course content, library materials, research and other academic functions.

"We thought we had acquired a very good and very accurate picture of what was going on and then we wrote our reports department by department," says Etkin, who was involved in examining the engineering faculty.

The resulting 291-page report reflected the committee's surprise at the large number of things that had been accomplished by Ben-Gurion in such a short time.

"I felt that Ben-Gurion had accomplished wonders for an organization so young. To have built up a staff and libraries and computer facilities and academic programs and acquired buildings of the scope and quality that existed, I think was really a tremendous achievement that had to be applauded."

The committee also pointed out many areas that needed improving, and Etkin said among its conclusions, the panel found that:

- Ben-Gurion's teaching load was far beyond that of North American universities. There were too many lectures and students were spending far too much time in classes.
- Experimental laboratories needed upgrading immediately, especially in engineering.
- Departments still located on the old, original campus in the centre of Beersheba needed to be moved to improved quarters on the new campus at the outskirts of town.
- Students' competency in English was poor and they weren't getting the necessary skills in their undergraduate degrees to enable them to read many library materials that were in English.
- The faculties of social science and humanities needed priority funding in the next few years to help solve the office space crunch.

Etkin says Ben-Gurion's board of governors have adopted the committee's report and are attempting to implement many of the recommendations.

For more information, contact the Canadian Association of Ben-Gurion University, 1111 Finch Ave. W., Suite 303, Downsview, Ont. M3J 2E5; (416) 665-8054.

Shloshim for Rabbi Oelbaum

Shloshim will be observed this week for the late Rabbi Ignatz Oelbaum, founder and longtime spiritual leader of Toronto's Hungarian-Czechoslovakian survivors' congregation, Ahavath Achim-Nachlath Israel.

The Slovakian-born Oelbaum arrived here in 1951, the surviving descendant of a long line of rabbis. His grandfather was Rabbi Yaakov Koppel from Lukov, the Tzaddik of Lublin.

Oelbaum received his smicha from the Rabbinical Council of Pressburg. Before the Holocaust, he was rabbi of the Teshen community; immediately afterwards, he served in Hamburg.

Oelbaum authored a number of seforim on halacha and agada, including Sheilath Yitzhok, Ezer L'Yitzhok and Otzar Hegyonei Yitzhok.

"He worked tirelessly to re-establish that which was lost," said a congregation spokesman. "He officiated at hundreds of marriages of orphaned postwar survivors. He not only worried about their spiritual wellbeing, but was also instrumental in securing jobs for the new immigrants. His advice was sought from near and far. He will be sorely missed."

At his funeral, held at Ahavath Achim, Oelbaum was eulogized by rabbis and community leaders from Toronto and the U.S. He was buried on the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem.

He is survived by his wife, Chaya Brocha, his son Rabbi Isaac Oelbaum of Kew Garden Hills, NY, his daughter Miriam Blum of Cleveland, and 13 grandchildren.

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Lack of fabric hurts industry

By
LIDA KUDLA

(STYLE)

What do Nygard International, Irving Samuel and Linda Lundstrom Canada have in common? Guts, that's what.

What do they believe is the industry's greatest weakness? Fabric availability.

What do they see as the industry's greatest strength? Its flexibility, resourcefulness and creativity.

Do they believe the industry has what it takes to survive? Most definitely.

Canadians are taking pride in homegrown talent — from musician Brian Adams, to artist Alex Coleville, to Made in Canada clothing labels. "The prestige of imports is wearing off," says designer/manufacturer Linda Lundstrom.

Lundstrom's measure of success is "do I enjoy coming to work every morning?" — and the answer is an emphatic yes. It's that energy, plus the support of the "magical group of people" in her company, which has helped her become one of the survivors in Canada's tough competitive world of fashion.

"Financially, we've had our ups and downs," she says, "but we've survived the rough period and over the past three years have had a good bottom line. It was a learning experience. When you start in a 2-bedroom apartment and move on through the next levels, you learn — you learn to manage and to withstand.

"The experience of owning my own business has given me the opportunity to do what I love and grow not only as a business, but as a person as well. I couldn't have learned as much in university and I'm enriched by the experience."

Lundstrom's company may be only a fraction of the size of the giant Nygard International but they share the same desire to survive — on their own terms.

Chairman of Nygard International, Peter Nygard claims he "fell into fashion." But he has, over the past 20 years, taken the company from annual sales of $800,000 to a predicted $200 million in sales this year.

He attributes no single thing to his success.

He didn't learn the business in a traditional way. "I was forced to experiment and forced to be innovative," he says.

Nygard says that the Canadian fashion industry is ready to explode. One major problem, however, remains — the heavy duty fashion makers must pay to import fabrics not available in Canada.

Says Nygard: "The government must allow more fabrics into the country. This would not only significantly cut apparel manufacturers' costs, it would also make products more affordable, create a new competitive advantage of the domestic market and enable Canada to compete on the fashion front."

The duty on fabric is about 20%-27½% and accounts for approximately 50% of a garment's cost, which in turn increases the consumer cost of a Canadian manufactured garment about 10%-15%, Nygard estimates.

"The apparel manufacturing industry has weakened over the past 10 years and its greatest competitors are not from within the country, but from without," according to Lionel Rubin, sales manager, Irving Samuel Canada, Montreal, manufacturers of coats, suits, coordinated separates and dresses under the Irving Samuel label.

But this wasn't always the case, Rubin notes. "Twenty years ago there were more than 10 to 15 Canadian competitors at Irving Samuel's price level, but the situation is very different today. It's a case of the survival of the fittest. Every year there are a number of names out of business.

"Labor costs in Canada are high and competitive products are manufactured from without — not just the Orient and the Far East — but even Europe has become more competitive.

"In fact, some goods in Europe are more competitive than those produced in Canada because members of the European Common Market have no duty restrictions on goods passing through member nations. They have excellent fabric resources, efficient manufacturers and a larger market."

Despite the difficulties of manufacturing in Canada, Irving Samuel Canada is like Lundstrom and Nygard — one of the toughest survivors in the business.

The company has increased its output "hundreds of times over" since it was founded 38 years ago by partners Samuel Workman and Irving Sniedman, according to Rubin who also echoes Nygard on the unavailability of fashion fabric in Canada.

"Unfortunately, we can't buy fabrics produced in Canada. The few Canadian fabric mills here have to mass market their products and for the price and quality level of Irving Samuel garments we use European fabrics."

"If there's any quirk to manufacturing in Canada, it's that fabric is unavailable," agrees Lundstrom.

"The Canadian textile manufacturer is not supplying the industry with what it requires and this is a uniquely Canadian problem. It's extremely difficult to put out a line when your raw material is not accessible."

Lundstrom, like Nygard and Rubin, finds that she can't always turn to Canadian sources for fabric. But she's quick to add that that situation is not by choice.

"It's just not available, I try to use as many Canadian products as possible and develop a relationship with the textile people.

"Things have turned out well with textile manufacturers who are willing to improve the situation. However overall Canadian manufacturers are working at a disadvantage."

ADOLFO OF FRANCE DESIGNS FOR CHERRY

The Alan Cherry fur collection features the works of top European designers, including an exclusive with Adolfo of France, whose coat is featured here.

Fashion festival sets 1987 dates

The Canadian Festival of Fashion has announced its 1987 fashion dates: April 16 to 20.

There will be an opening gala on the 16th and the balance of the show will also follow the format set in the previous two years . . . with some minor changes.

The fashion shows themselves will see a production team at the helm as opposed to the former single director.

Professionals in staging, styling, co-ordinating, etc. will make up the team headed by Steven Levy, executive producer of the Festival.

New will be the use of Constitution Hall for smaller shows, making a choice of large or small facilities for fashion shows.

Booths will again be sectioned into manufacturer/designer and retail/services/media groups. There may be further smaller groupings within these major ones for the '87 show.

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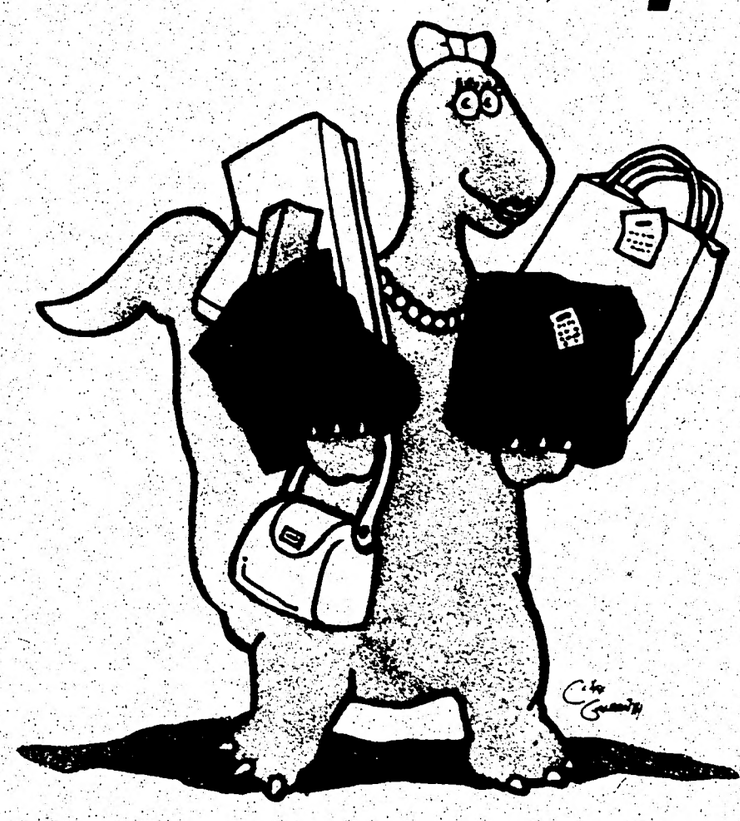

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Fashion

Sweaters, suits, jackets are all part of Addition-Elle's winter collection.

The key message is knits

The key message this winter from Addition-Elle is knits, knits and more knits, with Jewel tone colors of purple, green/jade, fuchsia, royal and cafe gold. Background colors remain the basics, with black, winter white, indigo blue, navy and this year, a strong comeback for gray. For the perfect touch, accent colors are red, mustard, rust and khaki.

Blouses feature softer, rounder shoulders and necklines are dressed up with ruffles, pleats and jabots. Blazer-look jackets are collarless with notched lapels.

The float dress, mock 2-pieces and bubble dresses — blouson top and drop waist with ribbed trim, are all popular.

And when it comes to entertaining, it's a return to the romantic, feminine beauty of luxurious fabrics — the metallic shades of shiny knits. From career to casual, she'll be mixing satin tops with tweed bottoms, all accessorized with silver chains, earrings, belts and bracelets.

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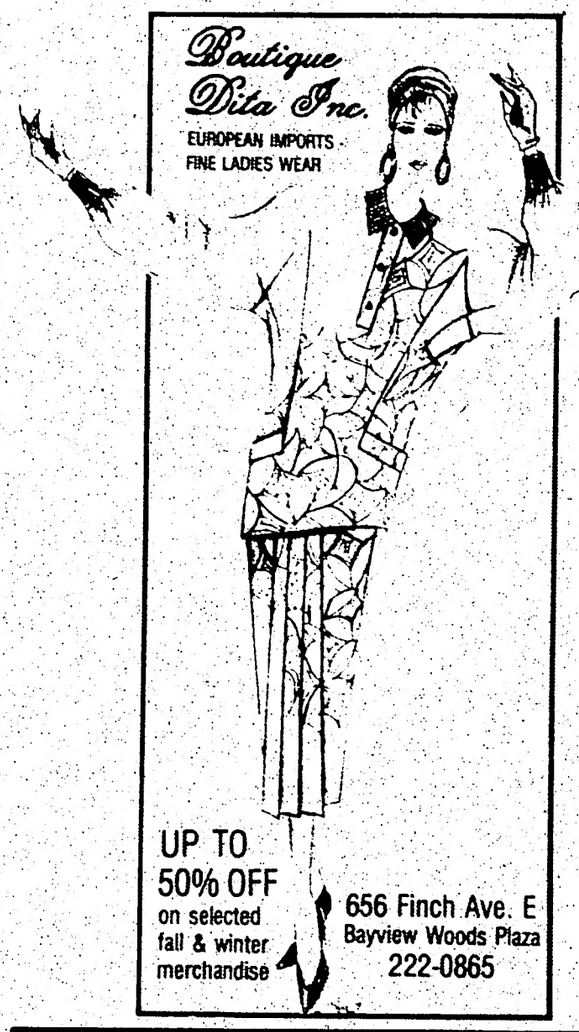

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"In touch with trends"

Aquascutum stays in style

By
LORI SMITH

Updated, classic styling is the signature of world renowned Aquascutum coats and day wear.

According to Joe Abrahamsohn, vice-president of Aquascutum Canada Inc., the London, England-based company has always been known for its classic outerwear. But in the last few years that has changed and the firm is now offering contemporary looks in both its men's and women's lines of coats and sportswear.

"It's not high fashion but clothes that are in touch with trends. We're in style without changing radically and the advantage to that is that our garments are never drastically out of fashion."

Desiree Abrahamsohn, women's wear fashion advisor for Aquascutum Canada Inc., explains that part of the company's interest in fashion has to do with the number of young business people with money who want contemporary, quality clothing.

"For example, young businesswomen want a classic look, but it has to be a little softer, a little more up-to-date."

To meet this need Aquascutum is offering a number of fashion-touched garments for this fall and winter in addition to such stalwarts as their traditional trenchcoat which is as current a coat today as it was when Humphrey Bogart wore it in the film Casablanca.

The women's sportswear line features a number of groups including a winter white selection comprised of a coat, matching dress and handknit shetland sweater. A red and gray tweed collection has a coat, skirt and matching beret.

A group of fashionable charcoal gray coordinates are available, as are Chanel-inspired suits in the navy, wine and white house check.

Fashion forward items include a navy shirt-style jumpsuit which is belted at the waist, luxury cotton coats including one with a blonde fox trim and a charcoal gray, raw silk raincoat in a trench style.

The clothes are marked by the big, full, relaxed silhouette of the coats, car coats and jackets and the ease of the trouser-style pants and full or fashionably straight skirts.

In Canada, the 29-inch skirt length is the most popular although Aquascutum is offering 27-inch styles. Joe Abrahamsohn points out that all the ladies coats are long — 48 inches — and many of the men's are the same length.

The Bogart trenchcoat is 48 inches long and double breasted with big, full raglan sleeves. It is the perfect investment raincoat for men of all ages.

However, to accommodate more traditional Aquascutum customers, single and doublebreasted styles with set-in sleeves are available. A wide selection of jackets, trousers, coats, sweaters and suits are also being shown this fall.

In addition to its garments, Aquascutum also manufactures a complete range of accessories including many different scarves in fine fabrics such as silk, cashmere and lambswool; rain hats, and purses and bags.

The beauty of Aquascutum products this fashion season is that they are representative of the return to classicism that has marked styles in 86 and they are enduring, investment clothes.

In Toronto Aquascutum is available at Eaton's.

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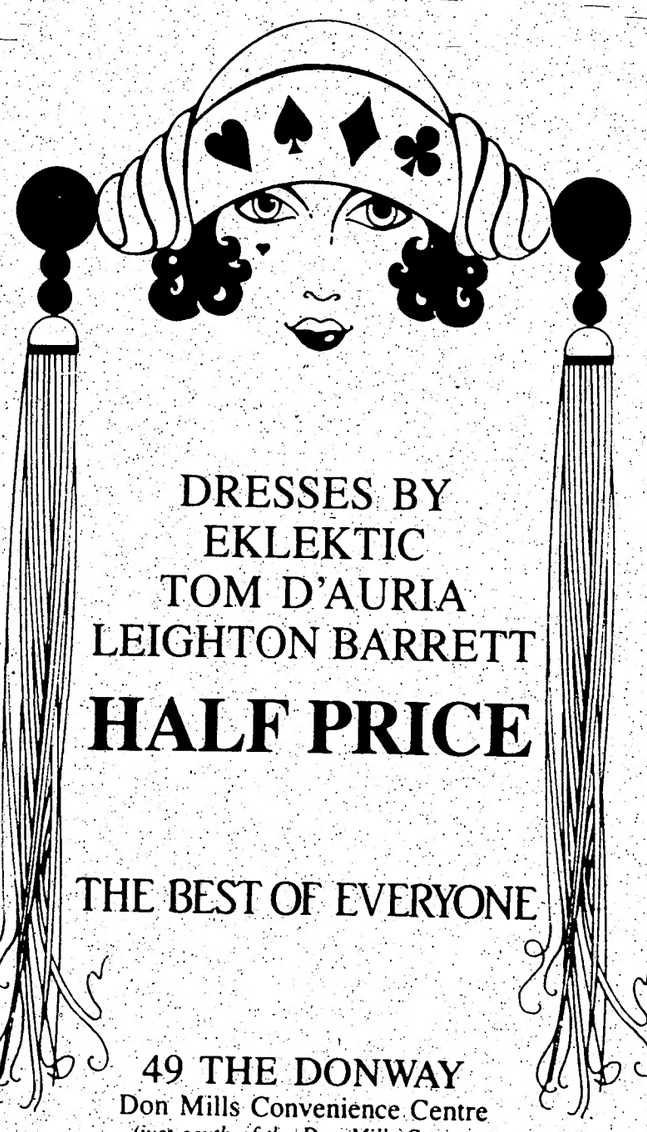

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Watch your buying power

Secrets to "safe" Chanukah shopping for presents

By SAUL KORMAN

I don't know about you, but whenever I go out holiday shopping, I always seem to end up with at least five presents for me to everyone for someone else.

I figure a good percentage of other people out there must go through the same experience each year, so I'm going to try to help by tipping you off to a few secrets of "safe" Chanukah shopping.

— The most important thing to remember is not to get carried away with your "buying power" — particularly if you have a credit card.

Shopping can be addictive, so it's best to sit down and figure out a rounded sum budget before hitting the stores. Then keep track of the prices as you buy.

Write them down in cold, hard numbers beside your suggested total, and look at that piece of paper whenever you feel the urge to over-spend.

— Buy only what you need. If, in the course of picking out a tie for Uncle Syd you come across a fantastic sports jacket for yourself, stop first for a moment and mentally review your current wardrobe.

If you already own a brown tweed coat or black-and-white stepweave jacket, chances are adding another of these to your collection isn't really necessary to your ultimate happiness.

— Look for pre-Chanukah sales. Gone are the days when retailers hiked their prices in the holiday season. Now most store owners vie with each other to see how low they can go before the end of December and still retain a profit.

Check out the ads in the paper and on the radio and, if you're really smart, get your name on selected stores' mailing lists in order to receive notification of their private sales.

— For last-minute shoppers, our 1986 calendar year is going to give you a break. Chanukah falls on the Saturday after Christmas.

This gives you time to partake of those lovely Boxing Day specials and, incidentally, indulge yourself in a few personal extravagances at drastically reduced prices.

— Be sure to enquire as to store policy on returns, just in case your wife doesn't like that lime green overcoat, or Jack turns out to be allergic to the pure wool sweaters you're giving him.

If you're following the above tip, you should know that many stores don't offer returns on Boxing Day sale goods.

— There's just one final tip that may make your shopping trip a little easier, and certainly would reduce the wear and tear on a holiday sales staff — don't bring your entire family along for the "outing."

Wives and husbands, yes. But little children and animals only get in everyone's way and are sure-fire frazzlers on the nerves.

(Saul Korman reports regularly to The CJN on current fashion trends. Korman is president of Korry's Clothiers to Gentlemen, in Toronto).

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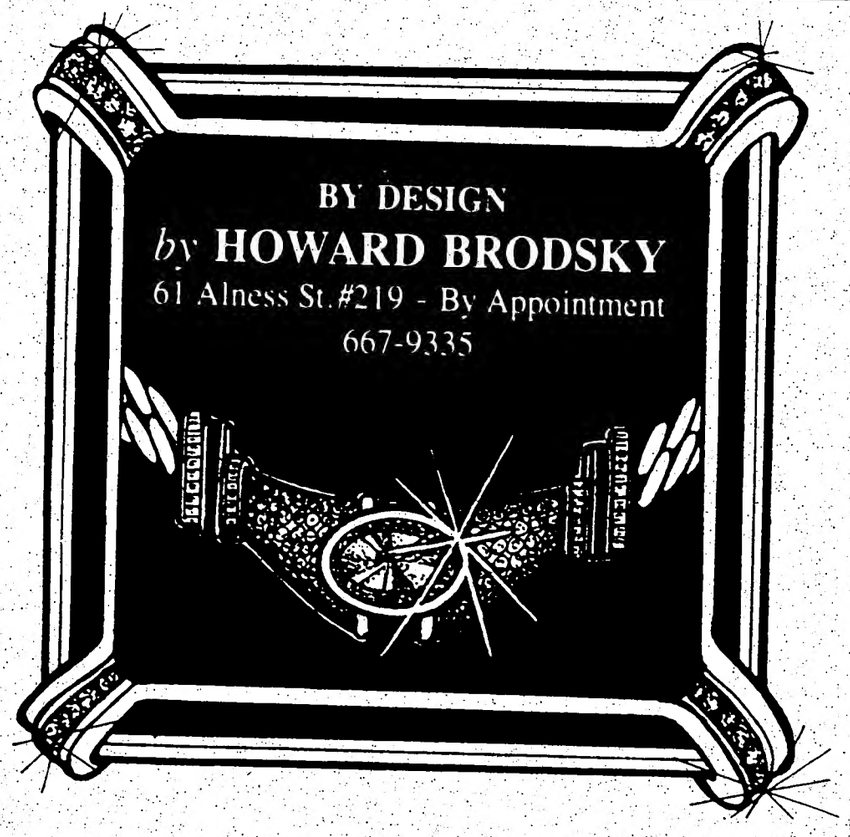

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Sung splits furs

MONTREAL — Alfred Sung, a major Canadian designer who entered the fur industry a year ago, has divided his fur line into two areas.

They are Alfred Sung Furs, higher priced and luxurious, and Sungsport Furs, a sportier orientation of blousons, parkas and roomy duffels.

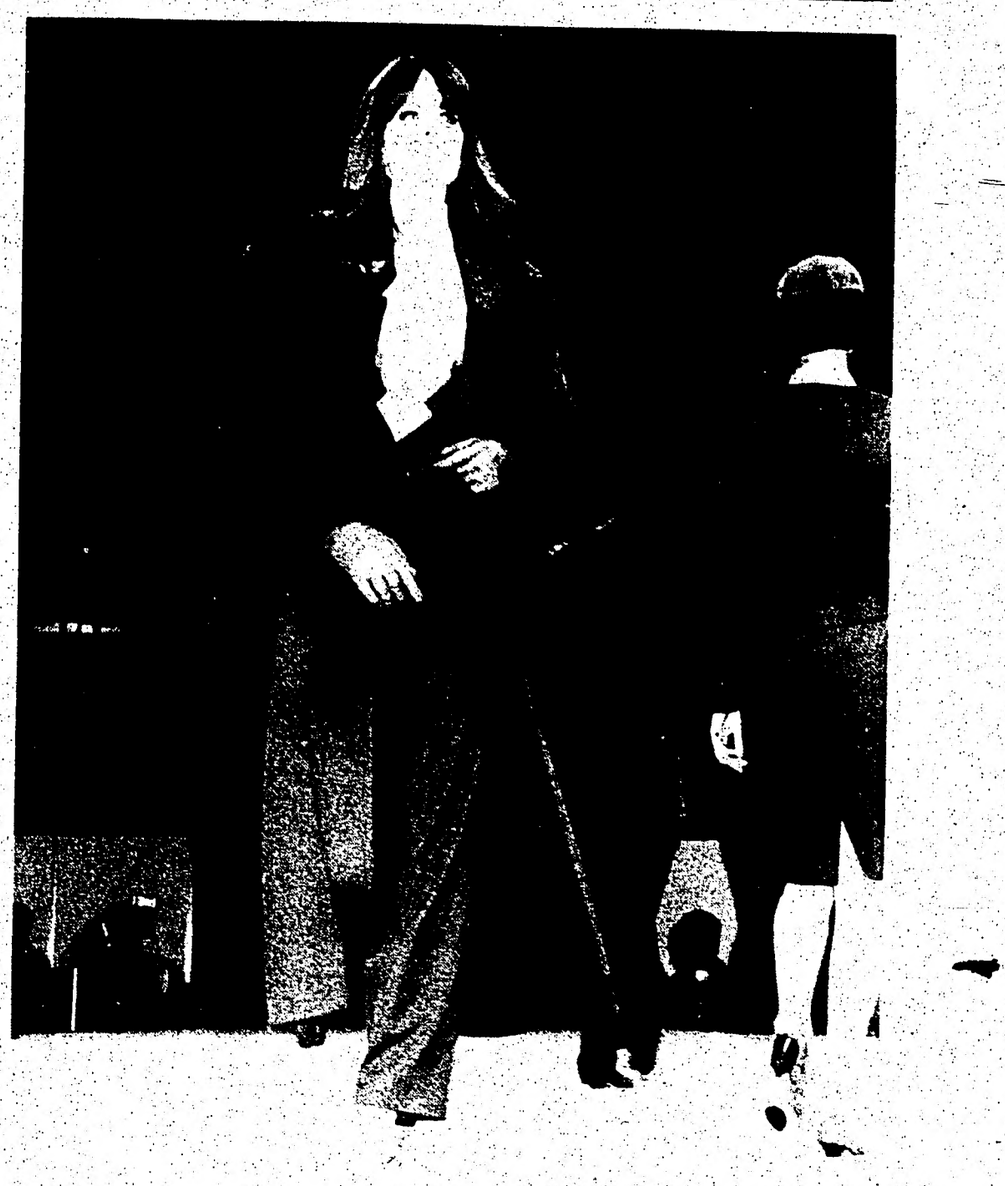
Coats for the active, ageless and casually elegant woman are long — 53", or 3" longer than last year — with pronounced but rounded shoulders and generous sleeves.

Jackets extend below the hip in the new chic seven-eighths or nine-tenths proportions, or are cropped 22" boleros.

Some bundled looks have such important details as tails, heads, belts or leather trim.

A choice of bright colors includes regal purple, fuchsia, green or peppermint twist in such furs as fox and mink.

The designer is also working in natural silver blue frosted fox — more costly and rare than unfrosted silver fox — in jackets and coats.



Supermodel Monika Schnarre wears a single-breasted notch collar orchid 3/4 length coat with a yellow, teal and orchid turtleneck pullover and orchid flannel pleated pant. From Alfred Sung. (Ronny Shinder photo)

Classic styles for Guess?

Over the past few years watches have become an extremely important fashion accessory. And so it's no surprise that this season the return to classicism is being reflected in watch styles as well as clothing designs.

Guess? by Georges Marciano, a leading manufacturer of contemporary clothing and accessories, has introduced a line of watches for winter that embody this retro look.

Carolyn Posen, president of Carolyn Sales Inc., the Toronto firm that represents Guess? watches and sunglasses, explains that the watches are patterned after the classic styles of the past.

"They include western retro, military retro and grid retro styles. They are extremely sophisticated and right on in terms of color and fashion."

The new Guess? watches feature round and rectangular faces in small, medium and large; crystal glass cases; brass casings polished in antique gold; repairable, Swiss quartz movements; a 1-year warranty and are water resistant.

Their new leather bands come in crocodile, lizard, calfskin, and pigskin and are available in sapphire, emerald, purple, red, white, mustard, camel, black, burgundy, beige and dark gray. As an added bonus Guess? is doing a program of watch bands in bright colors that can be fitted to other people's watches.

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Arts

At Bathurst Theatre to Dec. 28

Glengarry Glen Ross: Survival of the most ruthless

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

A friend of mine described perfectly what Glengarry Glen Ross was like: Take Willy Loman from Death of a Salesman, put him on speed, add plenty of cussin' and multiply by four.

That will give you a rough idea of what this terrific play is about: salesmanship, brinksmanship, one-up-manship, cut-throat greed and the American way. That's a recipe for an incendiary piece of theatre, which this is. But it's also a funny and sad roller coaster ride that turns our emotions on and off like a spigot.

David Mamet's Pulitzer Prize winner (at the Bathurst Street Theatre extended until Dec. 28) is an exploration of many things, mainly the curious formula for surviving in 20th century America. What we have are four abrasive real estate salesmen desperately trying to "make the board," that is, to become the top two sellers in the company. There's a lot at stake here: the top man wins a Cadillac, the runner-up gets a set of steak knives and the bottom two get fired. This is survival, cave-man style.

And these are ruthless, desperate men, desperate enough to contemplate breaking into the office at night to swipe the "leads" and sell them to a competitor. They will do anything to sell a plot of land to some gullible buyer — whether it's chatting up a complete stranger, lying, cheating — whatever it takes to make a living.

Everything is remarkable about Glengarry Glen Ross. All four overworked and overwrought salesmen (played by stage veterans Heath Lamberts, Ken James, Harry Jerome and Tom McBeath) turn in sensational performances. We get to know each one in varying degrees. We get to like them for who they are and hate them for the mercenaries they have had to become.

Each has his own problems. A twitchy, bug-eyed Shelley Levene (Lamberts) bribes the pencil-necked office manager (Peter Blais) to get him more lucrative leads. In the meantime, a savvy Dave Moss (James) and a not-too-bright George Aaronow (Jerome) hatch a plot to steal the leads, while the fourth, Richard Roma (McBeath) shovels the BS with both hands while drinking with a stranger and talking "opportunity."

The repartee is brilliant. Mamet's lean writing has been pared to the bone but is hilarious one minute and powerfully dramatic the next. Add Bill Glassco's crisp direction and we have a fast, furious and enjoyable comedy/drama, if you don't mind the foul language peppered throughout. In the end, one realizes the profanity fits in perfectly.

Mamet knows what he's doing. He once worked in a real estate office, so he knows the lingo. Thus, the salty dialogue is so realistic, it's as if the audience is eavesdropping.

Dog eat dog is what Glengarry Glen Ross boils down to. In a world where survival means staying ahead, Mamet has pitted the individual against the system that both sustains and can destroy him. The dilemma is maintaining a modicum of integrity in the swamp of fend-for-yourself capitalism.

Reminiscences, three novels

Gamut of Diaspora life depicted

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Three recently published novels and an anthology of childhood reminiscences depict the gamut of contemporary Diaspora life.

Goldkorn Tales, by Leslie Epstein (E. P. Dutton Co.). is a more or less comic expression of the bewilderment felt by the survivor of one glorious civilization as he passes the second half of his life in a completely alien civilization, and in its dregs to boot.

Protagonist Leib Goldkorn, born in 1901, is the scion of the Austro-Hungarian empire at its height. In Vienna, he was educated far beyond the requirements of the barbarous and decaying New York City that he is passing his last decades in, and apparently far beyond his wordliness and common sense as well.

The Steinway Quartet, the first story in the book, about a couple of two-time losers attempting a protracted robbery in a has-been restaurant, is hilarious.

Epstein is author of King of the Jews, the sensational fictionalized account several years ago of the Lodz ghetto's equivocal leader.

Harry Kemelman's Thursday the Rabbi Walked Out (Fawcett paperback) is a reprint of the 1978 mystery. Protagonist of this very popular series is Rabbi David Small, a Conservative rabbi in the small community of Barnard's Crossing, who doubles as the best sleuth in the area.

The characters' names and biographical details, and the unspecified environment that could just as easily be in the U.S. Midwest as outside of Boston are as blandly American as apple pie. A rabbi anti-semite, whose murderer the rabbi must discover, is also part of this melting pot.

The life of East European immigrants in France during the inter-war years is a focus of Simone Signoret's novel Adieu Volodya (Random House). This, the popular French entertainer's only novel, was translated posthumously. It was published in France just before her death last year.

Set against the rise of France's movie industry, the novel details a number of Jewish families' growing involvement in French society and business in the face of looming anti-semitism. Readers of this panoramic treatment will not be surprised to learn that it is being made into a miniseries for television.

An interesting entertainment, Adieu, Volodya will illuminate aspects of modern Europe unfamiliar to many North Americans.

Leak in the Heart, by Faye Moskowitz (David R. Godine, in Canada Beaverbooks), is a collection of some two dozen personal recollections, "tales from a woman's life," from a teacher, in a small Michigan town in the 30s and 40s.

The transition from a traditional Orthodox lifestyle to North American permissiveness is embodied in her father, who sneaks a Lucky Strike cigarette on Yom Kippur and has her hide the bacon when her grandparents come to visit. (In Europe, such things were flaunted with ideological conviction.)

The many details in these stories vividly recreate smalltown U.S. life; reading between them allows one to infer how native-born traditional communities nearly died out completely.

Glass exhibit planned

TORONTO —

On Thursday, Dec. 4 at 8 p.m., the Beth Tzedec Museum will open an exhibition of original glass sculpture, engraved blocks and vases, illustrating scenes from the Bible.

These items are on loan to the Beth Tzedec from Joseph Markovic, a Toronto importer of crystal and glass for the last 30 years. Markovic personally commissioned them from artists in Czechoslovakia.

Most of the compositions are based on the biblical drawings of Gustave Dore and include scenes from the Creation, Exodus, David and Goliath, the prophet Elijah, and others.

Markovic's collection has been exhibited at Ashley's China, First Canadian Place and partly at the Royal Ontario Museum.

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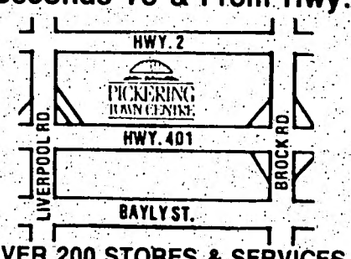

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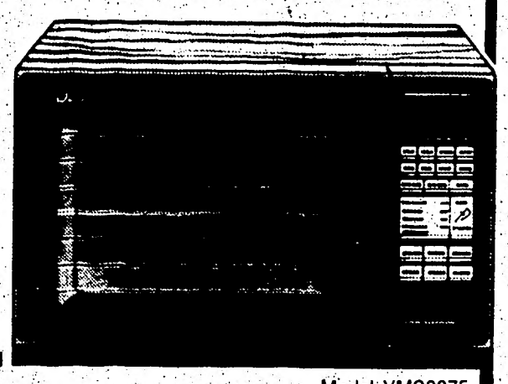

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Arts

Epic features Robert De Niro, Jeremy Irons

The Mission proves to be among best films of 86

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO — The input of talent in *The Mission* is astonishing.

Roland Joffe, the director, was behind *The Killing Fields*, the critically acclaimed film about the war in Cambodia. David Puttnam, the co-producer, produced *Chariots of Fire*. Screenwriter Robert Bolt wrote *Lawrence of Arabia*, *Doctor Zhivago* and *A Man for all Seasons*.

Robert De Niro and Jeremy Irons, who have starring roles in this film, are among the best male actors working today.

Under these circumstances, how can The Mission miss? Well, it doesn't. The Mission, which cost something like $30 million and was shot against the backdrop of the spectacular Iguassu Falls in South America, is generally a fine picture and certainly one of the best of the 1986 season.

Clearly, *The Mission* is an epic, for only an epic could possibly do justice to the theme.

It is set in the year 1750, in what is now northeastern Argentina and Western Paraguay. Two colonial powers, Spain and Portugal, have signed a treaty dividing that region populated by Guarani Indians who live under the protection of the Jesuit order and in the missions they have built.

Portugal sanctions slavery in the colonies, while Spain tolerates it. European settlers covet Indian lands above the Iguassi Falls and, if possible, seek to enslave the Guaranis. The Jesuits, whose sole aim is to convert the Indians, are opposed to the settlers' goals.

Cardinal Altamirano, the Pope's personal emissary, has been sent to resolve the problem. But in truth, he has already made up his mind. He will side with the settlers. The political situation back home in Europe is such that the Roman Catholic Church has no choice but to support the landowners against the Indians and their Jesuit allies.

> Fighting
>
> losing
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> battle

Some of the Jesuits disagree with Cardinal Altamirano's decision and decide to fight the church and the Portuguese usurpers. They know that they are fighting a losing battle, but they never lose hope.

Father Gabriel (Jeremy Irons), the chief of the mission, is one of those few Jesuits who resists. He is a noble, idealistic priest who believes in the power of love. And even when all his cherished beliefs are threatened by imperial greed, he refuses to take up arms against those who would torment the Guaranis.

Mendoza (Robert De Niro), a former mercenary and slave trader who turned to the priesthood after killing his brother over a woman, is not so naive. When he realizes that the Portuguese will try to grab the mission and drive the Indians into slavery, he revolts and helps them plan their defence against the expected maurauders.

Now playing at the Eglinton, The Mission gathers strength as it advances toward its tragic and poignant finale. Sometimes, though, you can hear the clanking as it moves forward. There are unrealized scenes that should have been deleted but unfortunately were not. On the other hand, there are more than enough moments in the film that make it all worthwhile.

Despite their stellar reputations, Irons and De Niro turn in only adequate performances: Irons is a trifle too cloying, and De Niro's New York accent is jarring. Ray McAnally, who plays the part of Altamirano, steals the show in a series of finely calibrated vignettes. He portrays a man who pays a heavy spiritual price for carrying out his orders.

The Mission can be read between the lines for a contemporary message. Modern Latin America is troubled by seething socio-economic problems, and certain priests who identify with the downtrodden masses (among them indigenous Indians) favor changing the existing social order, much to the chagrin of the Pope.

The parallels are striking. It seems that the more things change, the more they remain the same.

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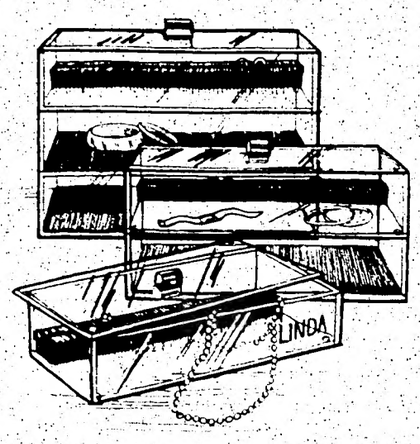

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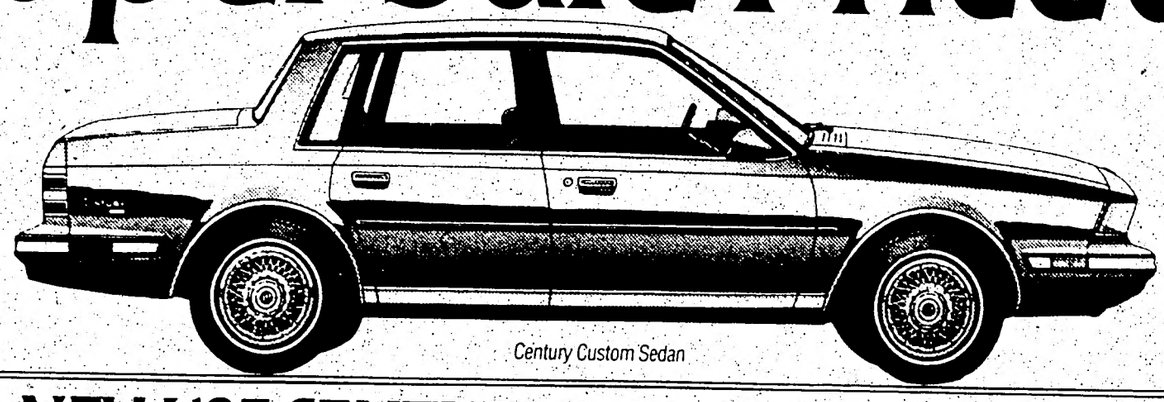
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Arts

Kim Lightheart dies of a broken heart in the arms of her wailing mother played by Victoria Bertram in Giselle.

Kim Lightheart triumphs in romantic ballet Giselle

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Giselle, which opened last week at the O'Keefe Centre with radiant Canadian newcomer Kim Lightheart in the title role, is the epitome of the oldfashioned romantic ballet.

First performed in Paris 145 years ago, it is a blend of sugary fairy tale and tragic tearjerker. It calls for consummate acting as well as dancing in order to overcome its banal plot and grip our interest.

It's the story of an innocent country girl who, at the end of the first act, dies of a broken heart on discovering she has been jilted by the womanizing nobleman who has been wooing her.

In the second act she emerges from her grave as a ghostly Wili — a supernatural vampire or femme fatale — who vengefully tries to lure the duke who has ditched her to the fate he deserves in a seductive dance of death.

Kim Lightheart is triumphantly equal to the challenge of presenting both aspects of her multifaceted role.

Born in Thamesford, Ont., and a graduate of the National Ballet School, she is a lovely-looking strawberry blonde, unusually petite for a ballerina and exceptionally gifted as an actress.

Pirouettes exuberantly

As a dancer, I found her delightfully lightfooted and as lighthearted as her name in the opening scenes as she pirouettes exuberantly to the jaunty pastoral tunes of French composer Adolphe Adam.

As an actress, she is at her best in two dramatic scenes. When the patrician countess to whom the duke is engaged visits Giselle's peasant home in the Rhineland valley, the envious country girl can't resist snatching at the hem of her velvet skirt and rubbing it caressingly against her own cheeks.

The other scene is one of affecting heartbreak when the love-crazed Giselle, after a dance of madness, dies in the arms of her wailing mother.

Also exceptional are Gregory Osborne in the difficult role of the roue nobleman who finds he is genuinely in love with the maiden he has betrayed; Toronto-born actress-dancer Victoria Bertram as Giselle's mother; and the exhilarating pas de quatre danced by Sabina Allemann, Karyn Tessmer, John Alleyn and Owen Montague like spinning dandelions.

As one would expect from designer Desmond Heeley, the costumes are gorgeous.

Karen Kain, Veronica Tennant and Evelyn Hart also perform in the role of Giselle during the production's run at the O'Keefe Centre until Nov. 30.

Blackmail the main motif in Frankenheimer flick

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

John Frankenheimer, the maker of films such as *The Birdman of Alcatraz*, *The Fixer* and *Black Sunday*, has come up with a modest but credible new picture.

52 Pick-Up, now playing at Cineplex Odeon theatres, is a well-crafted film in which blackmail is the main motif.

Harry Mitchell (Roy Scheider), a prosperous married businessman, has had a fling with a young model. He is on the verge of breaking it up when three sleazy blackmailers present him with an incriminating video they say they will show his loyal wife, Barbara (Ann-Margaret), unless he pays up.

Barbara is running for political office and Harry knows that her career could be nipped in the bud if his adultery is exposed.

When he decides he will not play their game, they get even tougher. They kidnap Harry and show him another video, a disgusting snuff film which threatens his very existence.

Harry, having enlisted Barbara's sympathy and active assistance, pretends he will cooperate with the blackmailers. In reality, he dreams up a Machiavellian plot which turns the gangsters on each other.

Roy Scheider, who is best known for his appearances in *Jaws* and *All That Jazz*, turns in a finely calibrated performance as a man bent on getting even with his tormentors.

Ann-Margaret, looking sleek but aged, brings poise and dignity to her role.

John Glover is particularly good as one of the loathsome blackmailers.

52-Pick-Up, which is produced by that ubiquitous Israeli duo, Menachem Golan and Yoram Globus, is a classic grade-B picture that never loses sight of its objective and keeps boredom at bay.

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Israeli artist Jacob Bochan at work.

Bochan's work shows his love of Israeli scenes

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Lovers of Israeli art will want to know of current and future exhibits in Toronto of paintings by Jacob Bochan, one of Israel's best-known artists and writers.

Bochan, 40, is displaying 50 of his best landscapes of Israel for the next few weeks at various venues. He's just come off a successful auction at Beth Tikvah Synagogue and a show at the Beth Safda Israeli Club; another show will begin soon at the Chabad centre in Thornhill and an exhibit is scheduled for mid-December at the Beth Avraham Yoseph of Toronto shul in Spring Farm. Other shows may be in the works for various Yorkville galleries.

Bochan's work is characterized by his obvious love of the Israeli landscape. The artist stands on location and paints for hours in muted shades of acrylic and pastel, whether it's the lush Galil, the scorching Negev or a Tel Aviv street scene. The 50 paintings in the collection now touring took him more than six months to complete.

Bochan is also a writer and he combines both talents, for under each painting, an accompanying piece of prose complements the work and stands on its own as a poem.

He's also written two novels: Ever Since and Jacob's Life. As a writer, he's been nominated for prizes awarded by the Ha'aretz newspaper for his essays, poems, short stories and literary criticisms.

Born in Austria in 1946 to Holocaust survivors, he was moved to Tel Aviv in 1949 and attended a WIZO art school in Paris. He started painting seriously in 1967. After being wounded in the 1973 Yom Kippur War, Bochan opened a graphic arts studio in Ramat Gan and he hasn't looked back since. He now lives on the Kfar Monash moshav near Netanya with his wife and three children and paints and writes fulltime.

These paintings "are my personal expression of Israel," Bochan told The CJN. Although he's been "painting" tiny Israel for many years, he says he'll never run out of subject matter.

No King, really, in Second City show

By
FRANK RASKY

Co-starring in the new Second City revue are zany improvisers (from left) Mike Meyers, Linda Kash, Bob Bainborough, Mark Wilson and Deborah Theaker.

TORONTO —

The new Second City comedy show, titled *Not Based On Anything By Stephen King*, indeed has nothing to do with Stephen King.

So why do they call it that?

It's explained by one of the seven wildly gifted zanies who have created the 25th satirical revue playing an indefinite run at the Firehall Theatre, 110 Lombard St., 863-1111.

He saunters across the bare stage, whose props and scenery consist of nothing but a row of straight-backed chairs, turns to the audience, and lets us in on the joke.

"We tossed in the Stephen King reference," he says, "just to rip off his name."

Well, this is to reassure Second City fans that the current company of satirists don't need to rely on King to lure in the crowds to their brand of wacky lampoonery, which is a blend of Monty Python and Marx Brothers (& Sisters).

The first act of sketches is a series of glorious howlers that kid the pants off our most venerable institutions, ranging from the CNE to Canadian hockey, and had me laughing my head off.

Except for their justly famed ensemble improvisations based on audience suggestions, the second act is a definite letdown.

But then, half of a show of continuous belly-laughs and knee-slappers is better than none, and certainly is jollier than some of the dreary slapstick comedies currently being offered around town.

At least three members of the present Second City troupe are every bit as funny as some of the now celebrated graduates of the 23-year-old Toronto company, including John Candy, Dan Akroyd, Eugene Levy and Gilda Radner.

Bruce Pirrie, a shrimp of a fellow with a rubbery face, is wonderfully droll in a skit given over to his reminiscences about being rejected from the Wild Mouse ride at the CNE midway on Children's Day because he was too short.

Linda Kash, a wistful blonde with googly eyes, and Bob Bainborough, a tall skyscraper of a comic with a gaunt horse face, are standouts in a takeoff of a Soviet version of Irving Berlin's *There's No Business Like Show Business* (There's No Solution Like Revolution).

I also found uproarious a hockey player's ballet, a bus trip in Toronto's Italian community with the driver being a father confessor, and a manic lampoon of an extra-billing doctor who also gets paid extra cash for injecting advertising commercials into his consultations with patients.

The Firehall Theatre is as dark and dank and dingy as a beer hall. But don't let the forbidding atmosphere put you off. With the present crop of jesters inside presenting their wild buffoonery, it's a sublime temple of laughs.

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Arts

Violinist Itzhak Perlman will headline TSO benefit

music

By RICK KARDONNE

Virtuoso violinist Itzhak Perlman will perform the Brahms Violin Concerto in D Major (from which comes the theme which inspired Don't Cry For Me Argentina) at Roy Thomson Hall on Dec. 9 as part of a Toronto Symphony Special Benefit Fund Concert. The concert is presented by American Express Canada Inc.

The Israeli-born Perlman, Isaac Stern's most famous protege, is recognized as one of the foremost violinists of his generation.

This special fund raising event being billed as An Evening with Itzhak Perlman will include a buffet supper with the musician in the lobbies of Roy Thomson Hall following the concert.

Co-chairmen of the gala committee are John and Myrna Daniels. Other committee members include: Paul Anisman, Howard and Sharon Batten, Toronto Symphony president Thomas Beck, David and Vivian Campbell, Wesley Chow, Paul Clark, Peter Dalglish, Robert and Robin Daniels, Elvio and Marlene Del Zotto, Douglas Derry, Garth and Pearl Drabinsky, Gordon and Selma Edelstone, Hyman and Joan Eiley, Beth Howard, Evelyn Huang, Fred Kasravi, Steven Latner, Jeffrey Lyons, Walter Simone, Bernard and Carol Slatt, Betsy Taylor, Philip Taylor, Leland and Anne Verner and Chris Yaneff.

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Itzhak Perlman

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By
BERNARD BASKIN

• Apart from a small number of snobs and romantics, does anyone care about the office of the Governor-General of Canada? "No," asserts John Fraser, "the office of the Queen's Representative . . . has been allowed to dwindle into an irrelevancy that will undoubtedly be the last step before the job becomes extinct." He believes that Ed Schreyer, Trudeau's choice, was a disaster and that every time he opened his mouth he brought ignominy to the office and shame to the land.

• Northrop Frye, Canada's most eminent literary critic, doesn't suffer fools gladly. Assigned to drive him from Peterborough to Toronto, an eager young scholar began to discuss with the master some of his seminal ideas and their importance. Frye listened wordlessly and then responded crushingly, "You've got it all wrong. You haven't understood a thing."

• In 1978, listening to a speech by Donald Jamieson, minister of external affairs, Maureen Forrester made a faux pas. She turned to the person next to her and fumed, "My God, that man is a colossal bore." The woman turned out to be Mrs. Jamieson. When asked about the wifely reaction, Forrester reported, "I got the impression she agreed with me."

• Laurier LaPierre once worked at the prep school of Toronto's Upper Canada College. Responding to a student who had made an anti-semitic remark he exploded. "The letter H seemed to predominate: horror, hate, Hitler, Holocaust, humanity, Hebrew, haughty, humility, hypocrisy. If Mr. LaPierre was not himself hysterical — and he wasn't — he was certainly a man possessed." Fraser was impressed and is sure that his teacher's reaction was one of the first and most telling things that he had encountered during his early years. It gave him some inkling of the moral responsibility for words that come out of our mouths.

• When Allan Fotheringham, well known columnist, author and trenchant observer of Canadian foolishness, was contemplating a journalistic move from Ottawa to Washington he consulted Val Sears, the caustic political writer for the Toronto Star. Sears advised: "You've got a really good gig going for yourself up here. Everyone thinks you're the Wizard of Oz. Take your act to Broadway, though, and you're dead in a night." A silent Fotheringham moved quickly away, his shoulders noticeably sagging.

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These are a few of the vignettes, anecdotes, stories and sketches that Fraser has gleaned from his encounter with Canadians, great and near-great. The 44 brief pieces vary in interest, humor and perception. The author is often unfair to his victims, engages in trivialities and suffers from a number of bizarre opinions about the political and literary eminence of some of his contemporaries.

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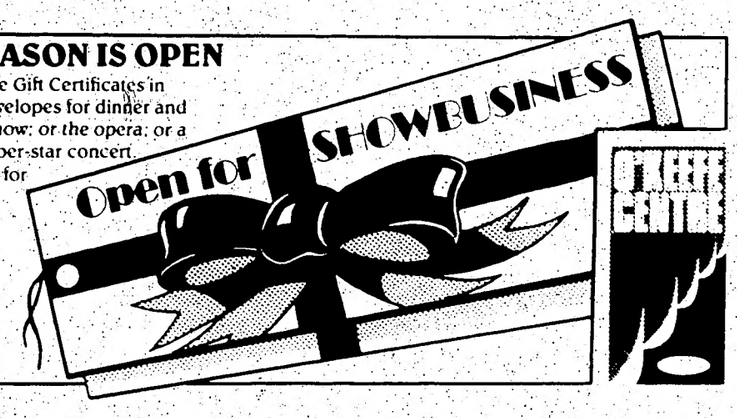

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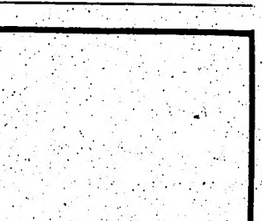

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Unique archeological museum

Jerusalem's Siebenberg House a bridge to the past

JERUSALEM —

Hundreds of people are finding their way to Siebenberg House, Jerusalem's unique archeological museum, despite the fact that no advertising campaigns have been initiated and no gala affair has launched its opening. But, that is not surprising.

For years, dignitaries and distinguished visitors to Jerusalem have been offered, as a special treat, a stop at the home of Theo and Miriam Siebenberg, in the Jewish Quarter of Jerusalem's Old City. Here the finds of their 17-year excavation project have been on display. With the construction of a museum to exhibit the finds and to enclose the archeological park uncovered in their basement, the Siebenbergs are sharing their unique heirlooms with all of Jerusalem's visitors.

In 1969, when the Siebenbergs began constructing their 4-storey town house in the reconstructed Jewish Quarter, no one — least of all the Siebenbergs — could have predicted that they would spend over $3 million of their own money excavating an area of 5,000 square feet beneath their home. For Miriam, a native Israeli, settling in a reunited Jerusalem had a special significance. Having escaped his native Belgium when the Nazis invaded in 1940, Theo Siebenberg believed that he was privileged just to be able to build a home in this historic site.

But, as the Siebenberg home was built, all around him he witnessed history in the "remaking." During the reconstruction of the Jewish Quarter, building projects were conducted alongside archeological excavations. Out of the ruins of the quarter, which was almost completely destroyed in 1948, the testimony of 3,000 years of civilization was unearthed, while simultaneously architects and engineers created a new residential quarter, using classical architectural designs.

"I felt I had created a house, but not quite a home," Siebenberg reflects. "My dream was to re-establish a link with the ancient past, to build a bridge with those who lived here in ancient times."

In 1970, when the final touches were being put on his town house, Siebenberg made the first step toward realizing his dream by consulting archeologists about probing beneath his home, for evidence of previous generations.

From an engineering viewpoint the idea was risky, if not impossible. From an archeological perspective, it was doubtful that anything of value would be recovered. But, knowing how valuable property near the ancient Temple must have been, Siebenberg concedes, "It didn't make sense. I felt there should be something here and I knew it would be important."

A 75-foot long retaining wall, which extended four storeys deep and took eight years to complete, solved only one facet of the engineering problems. "The house was resting on a hill, you see," Siebenberg explains with the utmost simplicity. "We took away the hill."

For nearly a year, Siebenberg worked with a crew of up to 30 workmen and a stable of invincible donkeys (the only way the vast mountain of tightly compressed soil could be transported), before one significant artifact was discovered. Then, in 1972, an archeological mother lode was tapped, and a new chapter in Jerusalem's history and in the lives of Theo and Miriam Siebenberg commenced.

The variety of artifacts uncovered in the Siebenberg excavations tells the tale of centuries of human habitation, from 10th century BCE burial vaults to a water cistern used by the Byzantines, but believed to be a Hasmonean (second century CE) structure.

Initially, the discoveries at Siebenberg House were not thought to be extraordinary from an archeological standpoint. Subsequently, scholars have found that a number of finds, like the cistern (which may be the only Hasmonean structure discovered in this section of ancient Jerusalem), are providing clues to ancient mysteries.

A glass rhyton (cornucopia-shaped drinking vessel) may be the key to an old puzzle. Only six glass rhytons have been recovered from the ancient world, and no one has been able to explain where they originated. Ancient glass scholar, Anita Engle, now believes that the rhytons may have been a gift from the Parthians to the family of Queen Helena of Adiabene. A famous convert to Judaism, Helena lived in Jerusalem with her two sons, one of whom — Monbaz — lived in the Upper City, in the area where the Siebenberg House is located.

Another discovery at the Siebenberg House has provided a clue to the mystery of the Temple's water supply. Prof. Menashe Harel, from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, is convinced that sections of a water conduit uncovered at Siebenberg's excavation are parts of the lower aqueduct, which once conveyed water from the pools of Solomon to the Temple, for exclusive use in Temple services.

In a series of almost bizarre coincidences, the discoveries create a strong link between past and present. For instance, a Czech machine gun, the only machine gun in the hands of the Jewish defenders of the quarter in the 1948 War of Independence, was discovered the same week that First Temple arrowheads were uncovered — weapons that were used to defend the city 2,600 years earlier against the Babylonian invaders. "Here, in one place, you can see history vertically," Siebenberg points out. "Here we are and here we were."

Once the Siebenbergs realized the importance of their discoveries, their long-term dream took the shape of a museum, a forum in which to share these wonderful treasures with all the world. The distinctive design of Siebenberg House grew out of its connection with the Siebenberg home, where a unique, utterly indescribable style is dominated by simple, modern lines that create a symmetry and a sense of spaciousness.

Great attention was given to acoustical quality and physical layout. From early on, the Siebenbergs envisioned concerts, cultural gatherings and special functions in their ancient/modern home. Arrangements also have been made to keep their home and the museum in trust for the people of Jerusalem.

The impact of Siebenberg House already has been tremendous. First-time visitors to Jerusalem are declaring that the museum is the highlight of their trip to Israel. Sixteen professional films have been shot by international media teams, documenting this unique archeological museum. Stories in such international journals as National Geographic have appeared worldwide.

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Siebenberg House is open to groups (10 persons or more) by prearrangement. For similar groups and individuals, a 45-minute tour is conducted in English and/or Hebrew daily (except Saturday) at 12 noon. Siebenberg House: 6 HaGittit St., Jewish Quarter, Old City, Jerusalem; phone (02) 282341, 287969.

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Chanukah trip to New York exciting experience

By
ROSE KLEINER

NEW YORK — Chanukah this year coincides with winter vacation. It means the family holiday trip can become a Chanukah celebration.

This festival lends itself to observance on the road. For example, a family Chanukah trip to New York can be a most meaningful and exciting experience.

With a little planning the family can observe and enjoy Chanukah in a different location each day. This is so because of the many synagogues, museums and other institutions in the city. All celebrate the holiday in their own manner. For the visitor to the city this makes for a memorable time.

New York has many synagogues, representing every denomination. Several of them are not too far away from the areas where hotels are situated. Chanukah candles can be lit each night in the hotel room, or families can visit different synagogues, and participate there in candlelighting ceremonies.

For information about synagogues near your hotel you can call the following institutions:

Orthodox — The Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America (563-4000).

Conservative — United Synagogue of America (533-7800).

Reform — Union of American Hebrew Congregations (249-0100).

A Chanukah atmosphere is sure to prevail in the city's many and diverse kosher restaurants. Even so prominent a hotel as the New York Hilton will have a Chanukah reminder for its guests. The hotel's lobby will be graced by a menorah, almost 5 feet high. Each evening an additional light will go on, until the menorah is fully lit on the 8th day.

Up the street from the Hilton there will be daily candlelightings, at sundown, at the Grand Army Plaza. Located on Fifth Ave., at 59th St., the Plaza will be dominated by a Chanukah menorah 32 feet high.

Three plays of Jewish interest are showing in the city. Today I Am A Fountain Pen is about a young Canadian bar mitzvah boy. The play, at the American Jewish Theatre (533-8834), sparkles with wit, and the acting is excellent.

The Flowering Peach, at the Folksbiene Playhouse (755-2231), was written by Clifford Odets, and adapted into Yiddish. It is about Noah and his family. A comedy with music, this play comes with a synopsis in English.

A Yiddish and English musical revue, L'Chaim to Life, is at the Town Hall Theater (921-9442). You do not have to know Yiddish to enjoy the above two plays.

If you get to New York by Sunday, Dec. 21, you can attend a musical afternoon titled "The Jewish Contribution to Broadway." The program takes place at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (674-5300) at 3 p.m., and admission is free.

For a Chanukah performance on Sunday, Dec. 28, there is the Judas Maccabaeus Open Sing at the Merkin Concert Hall (362-8719) of the Hebrew Arts School, which is only few minutes' walk from Lincoln Center.

Exciting fare

An evening of Israel food, or pizza, plus lively music awaits the family at the Jerusalem 2 restaurant, upstairs. Yoel Sharabi will be featured Dec. 31 to Jan. 4. Reservations should be made in advance (819-1891).

Musical fare at Lincoln Center (870-5570) in December includes the operas, Rigoletto and La Boheme, the Nutcracker Suite ballet and Victor Borge.

One of New York's most exciting activities is just walking along some of its famous streets, such as Fifth Ave.

To keep from tiring on these walks, a stop at some of the city's famous hotel lobbies can be a welcome diversion. The newly restored art deco lobby of the Waldorf-Astoria is one such place. The Grand Hyatt's large lobby is so tastefully decorated, it actually feels cozy. For some of the best hot chocolate, at a reasonable price, try the newly renovated, and very relaxing Berkshire Place Hotel lobby.

Several museum exhibits should be of interest during December. Notable is the one of the Metropolitan Museum of Art (570-3711) — "Treasures of the Holy Land: Ancient Art from the Israel Museum." The items on view have never been shown before outside of Israel. The exhibit ends on Jan. 4.

From there you can cross the street to the Jewish Museum (860-1889), where a smaller exhibit of recent archeological finds is on display. The museum is also showing a photographic exhibit of Israeli portraits.

There are three exhibits at the Yeshiva University Museum (960-5390). They deal with chassidic life, the Syrian Jewish immigration to New York, and with Jewish life in Germany during its thousand-year history.

An art gallery cum bookstore worthy of a visit is The Great Judaica Bookstore/Art Gallery of Manhattan (505-2505). Terming itself as "New York's most elegant Jewish bookstore" this establishment carries, in addition to books, Jewish videos, music and gifts.

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Business Outlook

Expands client base, profitability

Bank Hapoalim plugs firms into world network

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Finding a niche in the competitive Canadian banking establishment was one of the goals set by the management of Bank Hapoalim (Canada) when it set up shop in 1981.

Five years later, they appear to have succeeded in expanding their client base and improving profitability in part by plugging Canadian businesses into the worldwide financial network to which Bank Hapoalim has access.

Meshulam Druckman

Catering to small and medium-sized businesses, Bank Hapoalim offers what Chief Executive Officer Meshulam Druckman calls a unique blend of professional and personalized services that speeds transactions on the international market.

Managers at the bank's office in a downtown Toronto tower will prepare the required documentation such as letters of credit and collection papers and provide advice on how to deal with possible currency fluctuations to minimize their client's expenses, Druckman says.

But in addition to the technical side of the bank's services, Druckman stresses another aspect of its operation.

At Bank Hapoalim, unlike other bank branches which slow down the process by passing the work on to a number of other branches that specialize in overseas transactions, it's all done in one location and usually the same day, says Druckman.

"We have special banking services that meet the needs of those who deal in international markets," Druckman says.

"Here, it's the first door and the last door. We got the feeling that most small and medium-sized customers (had difficulty) getting direct access to the headquarters" of other banks when completing international business transactions.

Letters of credit outlining payment and the transaction's terms can be telexed the same day to any of hundreds of correspondent banks in the Far East, the U.S., Europe or Israel, Druckman says.

And unlike other banks, at Bank Hapoalim all personnel are centralized in one location allowing the account managers to meet with the foreign currency people to discuss how to take advantage of possible fluctutations in the value of money.

That allows for quicker advice, and more rapid implementation of a customer's orders, Druckman says.

While Bank Hapoalim (Canada) is Israeli-owned — its parent company is Bank Hapoalim B.M. with 1985 assets of $22 billion and subsidiaries in 14 countries outside Israel — the local edition of the company deals with both non-Jewish and Jewish businesspeople.

Besides the international aspect of the business, Bank Hapoalim is heavily involved in commercial loans and interim financing in the construction and real estate businesses. Those still comprise the core of its business.

And, it raises deposits by offering what Druckman termed "very competitive rates."

Most businesses who make use of the bank's services are based in Toronto and Montreal; Druckman says, and they represent a variety of industrial sectors with the needletrades, construction, oil industry and exporters among them.

With 1985 assets of $155 million and net income of $367,000, the Canadian operations plans to open a second branch in Montreal in 1987, Druckman says.

24-hour drugstore

Fanfare launches pharmacy

TORONTO —

Ontario Opposition Leader Larry Grossman was joined by United Way general campaign chairman Michael Sanderson as he officiated at a ribbon cutting ceremony recently at 700 Bay St. to mark the opening of a new Shoppers Drug Mart — the company's first 24-hour pharmacy in Canada.

During the gala champagne affair, Purdy Crawford, president and CEO of Imasco Limited (which wholly owns Shopper Drug Mart), presented Sanderson with a check for $100,000 for United Way of Greater Toronto. Also present were David Bloom, chairman, president and CEO of Shoppers Drug Mart and United Way president Gordon Cressy, along with more than 300 people from the retail drug community.

Holding Shoppers Drug Mart check for $100,000 to the United Way are, (from left) David R. Bloom, Gordon Cressy, Michael Sanderson, Purdy Crawford and Larry Grossman.

"The official opening of Shoppers' first-ever 24-hour pharmacy in Canada reflects our commitment to providing the best possible service to our community. We recognize the tremendous role United Way plays within our community and feel a strong corporate responsibility to help them meet their goals," says David Bloom.

Cressy expressed appreciation to Imasco for the donation, which is the firm's largest ever to United Way, and for its support over the years. This year's campaign expects to raise $32.4 million dollars which will be allocated to more than 150 social service agencies serving more than a million Torontonians.

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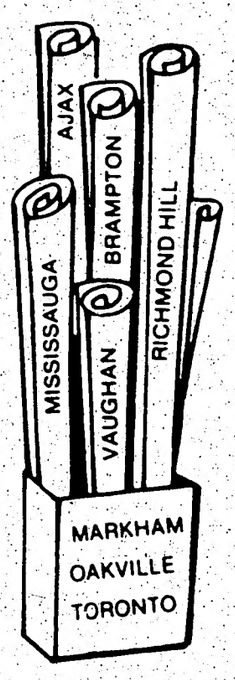

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BGU to honor steel magnate

MONTREAL —

Canadian steel industry magnate Paul Ivanier will be honored by Ben-Gurion University with an honorary doctoral degree, BGU Associates Montreal branch president Reuben Croll announced recently.

BGU's senate voted unanimously to confer the degree upon Ivanier, the second Canadian to be so honored. The first Canadian was Thomas Hecht, vice-chairman of the BGU's international board.

Ivanier was named "for his singular achievements and services to the economic progress of Canada, the advancement of its Jewish community, his devotion to Israel and to the university, and his generosity to the general public welfare," the senate citation said.

Ivanier, 51, is the president and chief executive officer of the Montreal-based Ivaco, Inc., one of North America's 12 largest steel producers.

He is a long-time supporter of BGU and a member of its international board of governors.

Croll said that BGU was "immensely proud and deeply gratified" that a Canadian had been selected for the distinction at a time when the centennial of Ben-Gurion's birth was being celebrated throughout the world.

Ivanier is expected to receive his degree next spring in Israel at a BGU board of governors meeting.

Business Outlook

Former refugee now multimillionaire

Aldrich Chemicals' Alfred Bader thanks Queen's

By
JANICE ARNOLD

KINGSTON, Ont. —
A Vienna-born U.S. multimillionaire who arrived on this continent as a frightened 16-year-old prisoner of war thanked his alma mater, Queen's University, for helping him become what he is today.

Alfred Bader, now 62, is head of Milwaukee-based Aldrich Chemicals, one of the leading suppliers of organic chemicals in the world. He earned three degrees at Queen's: a BSc in engineering chemistry in 1945, a BA in history in 1946, and an MSc in chemistry in 1947. Recently, he received his fourth, an honorary Doctor of Laws at the Queen's fall convocation.

In his address, Bader spoke frankly about his first, negative impressions of Canada. Bader went to England in 1938, under the sponsorship of a Mrs. Wolff. In May, 1940, he was interned as an enemy alien, along with many other German and Austrian Jewish refugees, which England feared might be fifth columnists.

Bader was among those shipped to Canada in July, 1940 and sent to a camp at Ile aux Noix, an island on the Richelieu River in Quebec. He was the youngest among the prisoners.

"My first impressions of Canada were truly mistaken...I thought that Canadians were largely dishonest and uncivilized."

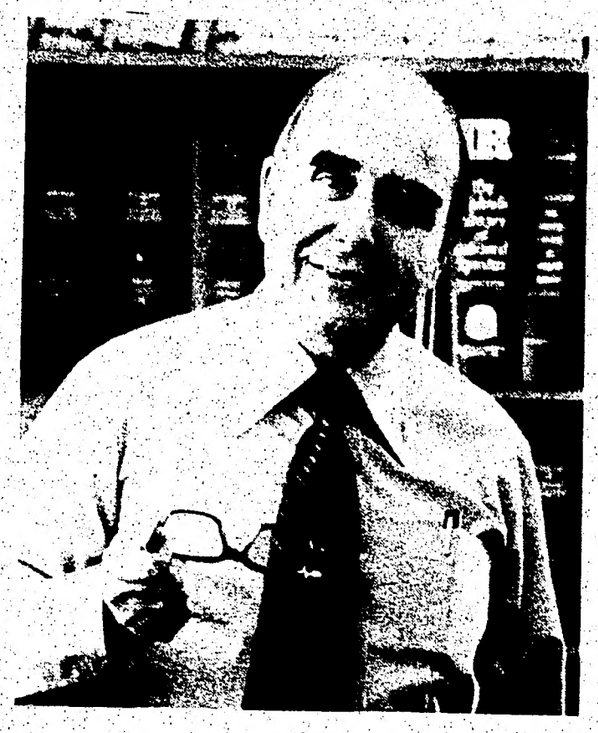
Upon his arrival, the camp commandant "interrogated me carefully, marveling that a youngster of 16 had parachuted to England. When I tried to explain that I was no parachutist but had fled to England and was a Jew, he just laughed and assured me that he did not believe me, and anyway, he didn't like Jews either."

Bader was released 18 months later and taken in by the Wolff family in Montreal, relatives of the woman in England. "Having lost his own family, he considered us his family from then on," recalled his foster sister Rosetta Elkin of Montreal, also a Queen's graduate. There were five other daughters in the Wolff family. Besides Elkin, those surviving are Annette Wolff, Rachel Esar and Esther Blaustein, all of Montreal; and Sarah Orkin in England.

"In retrospect, of course, compared to the treatment of Jews in Nazi Europe, the treatment here was paradise. But at the time I didn't have the perspective," Bader said.

"Queen's provided that. The great majority of Queen's people — students and academics — were decent and warm-hearted people. That I learned very quickly.

"Queen's taught me that I would be judged as an individual, that I did not have to be a member of the 'in' group.' Even an alien Jew would be treated fairly by these Scottish Presbyterians. At Queen's I gradually lost my shyness and gained self-confidence."



Alfred Bader

Bader continued his education at Harvard after Queen's and then founded Aldrich in 1951. He never forgot the university over the years. He has endowed Queen's with a prize in Jewish studies and two scholarships. One in engineering is named for Martin Wolff, his surrogate father. The other is in art history, a lifelong interest.

Bader owns a major art collection, specializing in 17th century Dutch works on religious themes. He has donated many valuable old master paintings to the university's Agnes Etherington Art Centre.

He has been a member of the board of directors of Queen's for the past 10 years.

Bader remembered at the convocation that he had been a "scholarship" student while at Queen's. "Very short of cash, I discovered that the university calendar listed the Andrina McCulloch Scholarship for Public Speaking.

"How silly could I get? I had never spoken publicly and spoke with a strong accent. But $50 was $50, as so I tried and won."

Today, Aldrich Chemical's annual sales exceed $100 million, and the company is listed in Fortune as one of the top 1,000 corporation in the United States.

Arbitration plan facilitates vehicle dispute settlements

TORONTO —
The provincial government's new Ontario Motor Vehicle Arbitration Plan will provide qualified arbitrators to settle consumer disputes concerning alleged manufacturing defects in vehicles, Ontario Consumer and Commercial Relations Minister Monte Kwinter recently announced.

"The OMVAP program provides consumers with an informal mechanism for resolving disputes at no cost to themselves," Kwinter said.

The program which began Nov. 15, will be available to the majority of Ontario's automobile owners and will cover both first and subsequent owners of non-commercial vehicles as well as individually leased vehicles.

OMVAP will acredit organizations to carry out the actual arbitration hearings and will select, train and maintain a list of qualified arbitrators to be used throughout Ontario.

As a first step under the program, a consumer must complete the manufacturer's complaint resolution process. If satisfaction is not received, the consumer may consider arbitration. Once qualification for arbitration has been established, the consumer and the company will each be required to sign an agreement for arbitration which sets out the remedies available under arbitration.

Decisions of the arbitrator will be binding on both parties and are enforceable under the Arbitration Act of Ontario.

Wesley Brian 'Rayner, dean of the faculty of law at the University of Western Ontario, has been appointed chairman of the new program.

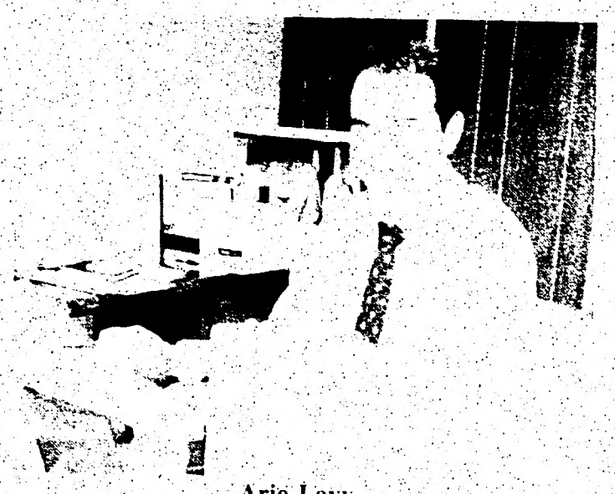
Winnipeg firm opens markets for Israeli-designed software

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —
For several years, Arie Lavy has been trying to promote Israeli industry in North America. With his year-old I.S. (IRIS) International Software Ltd., the Israeli-born Winnipegger has finally found the right entry disk.

A former PoW in Egypt, Lavie and his wife, Michal, came to Canada in 1977 as students. After a couple of years in Montreal where Arie studied computer science and Michal taught, they came to Winnipeg, Michal to teach in the Jewish schools here and Arie to work as a computer analyst.

Going into partnership with businessman Jim Klady last year, Lavy began his working relationship with IRIS-Software and Computers Ltd. of Tel Aviv.



Arie Lavy

The Israeli company produces a full range of software — in Hebrew and English naturally — including word processing packages, file and data base systems, office management programs, multilingual dictionaries, utilities such as a software demonstrator and educational tools such as a typing tutor, but it is best known for its security-related software products — IRI-CRYPT and IRI-LOCK. The latter is designed to protect software, the former to safeguard data.

"Our major focus," said Lavy, "is to provide the North American marketplace with quality, low-cost, off-the-shelf applications software. Our company is providing technical, marketing and product development support to bring IRIS products up to acceptable North American standards in terms of packaging and quality.

"Our company looks after customer support and warranties. All IRIS software runs on IBM-PC/XT/AT and compatible computers."

Lavy maintains his company helps Israelis directly through its association with IRIS-Software. "We are opening new markets for IRIS products thereby creating more exports for Israel and more jobs for Israelis," he said.

In fact, Lavy has just returned from an international Computer Security Institute Exhibition in Atlanta, where he introduced his products. "This exhibition is the security event of the year," he said, "an ideal place for showing our products."

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Business Outlook

Separation of administrative, adjudicative functions

Proposed law would make tenancy body stronger

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —

If the Ontario's government's proposed rent control legislation becomes law, it will result in the Residential Tenancy Commission becoming a much stronger and more impartial body, says its chairperson.

The legislation is currently being debated at Queen's Park and is expected to be passed late this year. While Conservative and NDP MPPs originally announced that they would oppose Bill 51, the confrontation was defused following negotiations between the three political parties.

Dr. Ratna Ray, who was recently appointed chief tenancy commissioner and chairperson of the board of the Residential Tenancy Commision by Housing Minister Alvin Curling, told The Canadian Jewish News that Bill 51 will separate the administrative and adjudicative functions of the commission.

The Residential Tenancy Commission currently administers the Residential Tenancies Act. Under the act, the commission listens to applications from landlords who apply for rent increases in excess of the 4% rental guideline. Tenants may also make an application disputing a recent increase or make an application for a rent rebate if they discover someone else in their building is paying less for a similar rental unit.

The other arm of the commission hears appeals from landlords and tenants who don't like the initial decision made by the commission.

Ray said that the proposed legislation will transfer the commission's initial review function to a new division run by the ministry of housing called the Rent Review Division. At the same time, the Residential Tenancy Commission will be transformed into the proposed Rent Review Hearings Board and will only hear appeals.

"I think it is a great improvement to separate the two functions of the commission," Ray said. From a procedural point of view it is not proper to have the day-to-day administration of the act — the review hearings — and appeal hearings in one bed."

Ray said the proposed Rent Review Division will operate through local offices throughout Ontario. It will have trained officers working with landlords and tenants to settle disputes on a continuous basis by administrative procedures rather than through "quasi-judicial" hearings.

Dr. Ratna Ray

"It will diminish the adversarial approach and encourage a more consensual approach," Ray claimed.

As chairperson of the board of the commission, Ray said she has a mandate to prepare it for the prosposed changes. As such, she said she had put together a transition team.

"My first priority is to make everything open," she said. "Secondly, when the transition occurs, people in the commission ought to be given top-notch care so nobody is lost in the shuffle."

Ray, an Ottawa management consultant and former executive director of the Federal Women's Bureau in the federal department of labor, was born in India and began her career as special assistant to Canada's commissioner of official languages, Dr. Keith Spicer. She then served as the executive secretary of the Pepin-Robarts Task Force on National Unity.

Pragmatism seen as boosting condo trend

TORONTO —

Condominiums are no longer a questionable housing alternative to a growing number of very busy people. In fact, they are now considered a preferred choice.

In major urban centres across Canada, the lure of secure maintenance-free living in a well-designed and well-located condominium is reaching record high proportions, especially among "empty-nesters."

However, Martin Atkins, president of Martin Atkins Real Estate Ltd., one of the country's leading condominium marketing specialists, notes that "the transition from traditional single family living to the condominium lifestyle can be trying and stressful for many people."

The family home has sentimental attachments that are constant reminders of past struggles and achievements. Memories can be painful or cherished but they remain vividly associated with one's possessions, home, and community.

"The experiences of one's children growing up, the weathering of financial difficulties all give meaning, status and identity usually beyond what one is immediately conscious of," he says. Usually there is at least one major attachment like a piano, dining room suite or garden that is wrenching to part with.

But Atkins feels pragmatism usually wins out over sentiment. He says that when children are grown and on their own, less than 60% of the home is useful on a daily basis. The capital involved can be more profitably applied to other investments.

The benefits of security and freedom from routine maintenance offered in the condominium are so real for most people that once they are committed to the decision and begin the necessary paring down process, they experience a revitalization of family relationships, the realtor says.

Couples have a whole new set of choices they must make which brings them closer together and the excitement and anticipation generated by shopping for new furnishings sometimes involves the whole family, he says. With so many others accomplishing the same transition, the opportunities to make new friends with similar interests and lifestyle increases.

Students get look at Petro-Canada youth project

TORONTO —

Students at George S. Henry Secondary School in North York are to receive a behind-the-scenes look at big business via Petro-Canada's Partners For Youth Project.

Petro-Canada Products senior vice-president Jim Pantelidis and principal Colin Davison recently signed a partnership agreement during a ceremony at the school at 200 Graydon Hall Dr.

The Partners for youth project hopes to further stimulate students' learning and achievement, and help them to better understand how the knowledge they are acquiring in school is applied in a business setting, the company says.

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Business Outlook

Lewis Steinberg (left) with Martin Strauss.

Direct marketing in Israel

Agency must train clients

TEL AVIV —

One of Israel's first international direct marketing agencies finds it has to teach prospective clients before it can sell its services.

"Most of our potential clients have little or no experience in direct marketing," says Macro/Sell coordinator Gil Goldfine. "Our first meetings are usually 'teaching sessions' in which we explain the ABCs of direct marketing. Only then can we show the clients what we can do for them," he added.

Macro/Sell was established because Israel wants to encourage exports, Goldfine said, "and direct marketing is the most efficient way of testing and selling new products and services."

The company's co-directors — Goldfine, Jeffrey Geri and Douglas Greener — bring their experience in advertising, public relations and direct marketing into the new venture.

Like similar, full-service direct marketing agencies in other countries, Macro/Sell assists the client in planning a marketing strategy, and provides market research backup, creative services, mailing lists, mailing facilities, and follow-up advice on list maintenance and enhancement.

Unlike agencies in other countries, however, Macro/Sell's primary goal is marketing products and services from one country (Israel) to others. To accomplish this, the agency has established service contacts in the U.S., Canada, Europe and Australia.

"These are, of course, the major markets for Israeli products and services," said Geri. "We are able to provide all the services needed to mount direct mail and direct marketing campaigns in these countries."

Since its inception only a few months ago, Macro/Sell has already handled direct mail campaigns for the Moriah Hotel at the Dead Sea, Lahav Management Seminars, Frank Meisler Studios, and "The Rogue's" travel and cuisine guide books.

"Project proposals have been prepared for several additional clients," added Greener. "And we are sending out a direct mail promotional package of our own to hundreds of Israeli companies with a high potential for direct mail success.

"We're optimistic that international direct marketing will find a strong response in Israel. If we weren't, we wouldn't have started Macro/Sell."

Although Macro/Sell deals with all aspects of direct marketing, its specialty service is direct mail, aimed at consumers or businesses. The offer may include one item or a choice of several, as in a mail-order catalogue.

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Winnipeg's "Sals" chain maintains fine tradition

By
GENE TELPNER

WINNIPEG —

Anyone who ever came from Winnipeg retains fond memories of eating establishments which have literally earned historic recognition such as Kelekis for hot dogs, Oscar's for corned beef sandwiches, and the Salisbury Houses.

While Kelekis still maintains its original location on Main St., and Oscar's now has two outlets, the Salisbury House chain has now expanded to restaurant number 23 in the city.

When Ralph Erwin collected his small fortune of $135 to open a small restaurant on Fort St. in 1931, he couldn't possible have envisioned the future. In those early days the customer could "dine for a dime," because 10 cents bought coffee and a Salisbury Nip, which was Erwin's name for a hamburger.

In 1979 Erwin's highly successful company was acquired by Steinberg Inc. of Montreal. Lewis Steinberg, of Toronto, is president of the restaurant division of the company, and was in Winnipeg for the opening of the newest "Sals" outlet at 801 Regent Ave. which is in the Transcona area.

A far cry from the small restaurant with the "little red roof," the newest Salisbury House seats about 100, there is a large parking lot and wheelchair access.

"But we still maintain many of the original features which Ralph Erwin brought to this city," said Steinberg.

Of course he means the Salisbury "Nip" is still an important part of the menu and the famous wafer pie which has been dessert for thousands of Winnipeggers in the past 55 years.

"We are excited about the growth of Salisbury Houses and we have great confidence in the future of Winnipeg. In fact, we really believe the market is favorable, so we plan to open at least five more in Greater Winnipeg in 1987," he explained.

When Steinberg took over, they insisted that the change of ownership shouldn't alter company policies. Thus they maintained all original Salisbury House management and retain a head office in Winnipeg.

Famous wafer pie

At the opening of the new Salisbury House, Steinberg introduced Winnipegger Martin Strauss as one of the company's new operation managers. Strauss was formerly the general manager of Stage West in Winnipeg, a dinner theatre that closed after expropriation for the North Portage Development.

Ralph Erwin, the Salisbury House founder, had originally been an actor-producer with a touring Chatauqua live theatre circuit. It folded due to hard times and the advent of radio, and ironically his final tour wound up in Winnipeg.

When this writer interviewed Erwin a few years ago, he recalled that his first restaurant only had room for 11 customers and he couldn't even afford money for stools.

At the newest restaurant opening, Steinberg said, "We are still committed to many of Mr. Erwin's original concepts: quality, economical pricing, and service."

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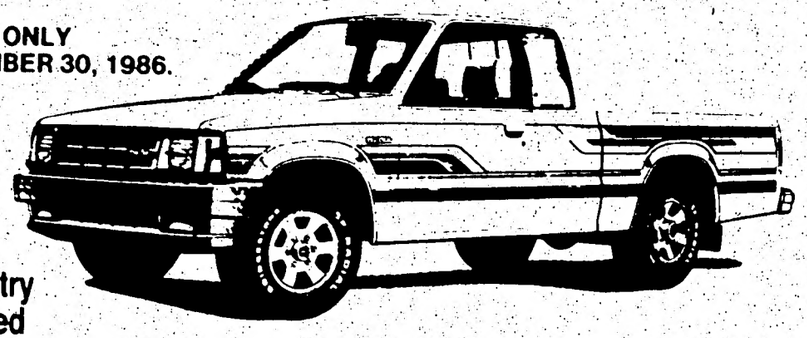
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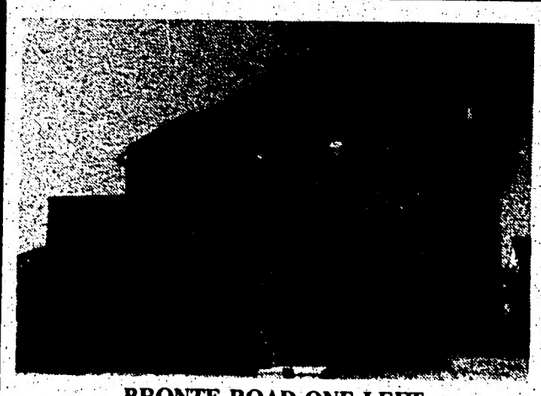

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Fred Levy on Nov. 8/86, late of 159½ Church St.
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Bessie Hamill on Nov. 9/86, late of 3560 Bathurst St.
Harry Staschewsk on Nov. 8/86, late of 105 Hillmount Ave.
Israel Hellreich on Nov. 8/86, late of Cheltenham Nursing Home.
Maxwell Selsky on Nov. 10/86, late of 150 Ava Rd.
Henrietta Segall on Nov. 11/86, late of 2700 Bathurst St., #1005.
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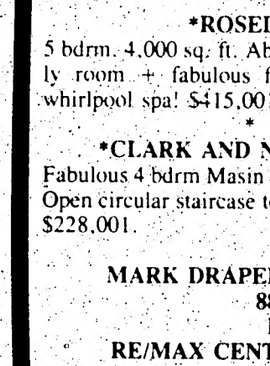

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10th anniversary celebrations

Yiddish body meets at Concordia

MONTREAL —

More than 700 people gathered for a festival of Yiddish culture held at Concordia University, celebrating the 10th anniversary of the World Council for Yiddish Culture.

The event was organized by Canadian Jewish Congress' Yiddish Committee, the Jacob Zipper and Shloime Wiseman Foundation for Yiddish Culture and Mame Loshn, a group of younger generation Yiddish speakers.

The evening included performances by Yiddish actress Dina Halpern, former Moscow Opera star Misha Alexandrovitch and Hebrew/Yiddish writer Mordechai Chalamish, an officer of the World Council for Yiddish Culture.

The evening was chaired by Yehuda Elberg, a Montreal Yiddish writer of international stature and recipient of many honors, including Israel's Manger Award. Other participants included Freda Rashkovan, chairman of the CJC Yiddish Committee, and Arthur Lermer, its honorary chairman.

A scroll of honor was presented to Joseph Berman in recognition of his generous support of Jewish education and culture.

The World Council for Yiddish Culture was created following the International Yiddish Conference in Jerusalem in 1976. The conference was significant because it brought together Yiddish writers and others interested in preserving the language and its culture.

The fact that it was held in Israel also marked a turning point in Israel's attitude toward Yiddish. "It was realized that Hebrew and Yiddish need not be in competition," said Lermer, who is a vice-president of the council, based in Tel Aviv.

Lermer said the Canadian Jewish community played an important role in the formation of the council. The Yiddish Committee of CJC was in existence seven years before the council was created, and Canada was the only country at the time where a Yiddish committee was an integral part of a national representative Jewish organization.

Today, the council sponsors a wide variety of educational, literary and cultural programs in Israel and abroad. As a result of the conference, Yiddish courses were initiated in schools in Israel. There are new Yiddish teacher training programs at the Chaim Greenberg Institute and Bar-Ilan University.

The council, which is supported by the Jewish agency and the affiliated Diaspora communities, also runs a Yiddish book-of-the-month club with subscribers worldwide. The council supplies Yiddish lectures and the Yiddish press with articles.

The council's current president is Itzhak Korn, a former Labor member of the Knesset. Among the Canadian members of the council are Yehudah Elberg of Montreal, Joe Salsberg and Sam Lipshitz of Toronto, and Noah Witman of Winnipeg.

A recent development within the council has been the formulation of a permanent committee of Orthodox, Yiddish-speaking scholars. It has published a book entitled Yiddish and Yiddishkeit.

The 10th anniversary celebration benefited the Foundation for Yiddish Culture in memory of Jacob Zipper, who was principal of the Jewish Peretz School, and Shloime Wiseman, who was principal of the Jewish People's School. The aim of the foundation is to raise a capital fund of $250,000 to realize its objective of promoting Yiddish.

About one third of that target has been reached through the generosity of friends and former students of Zipper and Wiseman. The foundation is under the auspices fo the CJC Yiddish Committee.

The foundation has already sponsored a lecture by Chalamish, helped send the Saidye Bronfman Centre's Yiddish Theatre to Vancouver for a performance, and published some of Zipper's short stories in English translation.

Negotiations are under way for an annual scholarship to enable a Canadian to take a Yiddish teacher training course at Bar-Ilan.

Lego structures recreate planet, space inventions

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The Cosy-Posie Planet display took over 1,480 hours to complete and contains more than 96,800 bricks and other elements. The model consists of many small cosy imaginary beings and their helper robots with lighting and sound effects.

The Variety Club of Ontario Tent No. 28 will be the charity benefiting from the proceeds from the sale of souvenir program magazines at the show.

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